

No. 446.—Petition of FRANCIS M. HEWSON, of Wharepōa.

PRAYING for a further allowance for services rendered while employed as a surveyor in the Government service.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

22nd October, 1914.

No. 481.—Petition of AMOTAWA KOWHAI, of Rotorua.

PRAYING for compassionate allowance for services rendered while employed by the Rotorua Town Board.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make on this petition.

22nd October, 1914.

No. 318.—Petition of THOMAS TODD and 93 Others, of Nightcaps.

PRAYING that permission be not given to build a railway from Wairio to Ohai.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration. (*Vide* Appendix I.—1A.)

22nd October, 1914.

No. 602.—Petition of WILLIAM CRAWFORD, of Lower Hutt.

PRAYING for compensation for injuries received while in the performance of his duty as a police constable.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

29th October, 1914.

No. 623.—Petition of EVANGELINE LETITIA GASQUOINE, of Wellington.

PRAYING for compassionate allowance for the loss sustained by her late husband in consequence of his business being acquired by the State without any payment for goodwill, and in consideration of services subsequently rendered by him as General Manager of the State Coal-mines Department.

I am directed to report that, in view of the Government having taken over the business of the late husband of the petitioner without the payment of any goodwill, and recognizing the merit of his service while managing the State Coal-mines Department, this Committee recommends the petition for the immediate and favourable consideration of the Government, and suggests that a sum not less than a year's salary be granted to the petitioner.

29th October, 1914.

SPECIAL REPORT.

THE Committee desires to record its high appreciation of the tact and consideration always shown to members and petitioners by its Chairman (J. H. Bradney, Esq.) during the three years he has conducted the proceedings of the Committee, and it is the unanimous wish of the Committee that this resolution be reported to the House.

29th October, 1914.

SPECIAL REPORT.

THE Public Petitions A to L Committee begs to express its appreciation of the services rendered to the Committee by its Clerk (Mr. E. D. Dunne), and requests the Government to use its best endeavour to have him appointed on the permanent staff of the House.

29th October, 1914.

FINAL REPORT.

I AM directed to report that—

The Committee during the session held 16 meetings.

The Committee dealt with 55 petitions.

The number of petitions recommended for special consideration was 1

The number recommended for immediate and favourable consideration was 3

The number recommended for favourable consideration was 17

The number recommended for consideration was 5

The number referred to other Committees was 1

The number on which the Committee had no recommendation to make was 25

The number held over until next session was 3

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