No. 72.—Petition of ARTHUR JAMES EDWARDS, of Ohaupo.

Praying to be paid the value of certain goods lent by him to the New Zealand Government and not returned.

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

1st September, 1915.

No. 71.—Petition of A. SEYMOUR BREWIS, of Hamilton.

Praying to be paid the value of certain goods lent by him to the New Zealand Government and not returned

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

1st September, 1915.

No. 86.—Petition of Denis Moroney, of Karamu.

Praying for compensation for loss of property while loaned to the New Zealand Farmers' Union during the strike of 1913.

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

1st September, 1915.

No. 140.—Petition of H. L. Worthington, of Petone.

PRAYING for the enforcement of a certain Order in Council, or for other relief.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, it being the strong opinion of the Committee that, if clause 16 of the Paris Sanitary Convention empowers it, it is the duty of the Government, in the interests of public health, to insist upon the provisions in the Order in Council being carried out in New Zealand.

15th September, 1915.

No. 28.—Petition of John Alexander McKinnon, of Christchurch.

Praying that he be granted a compassionate allowance in respect of certain hardships and losses alleged to have been suffered by him.

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

21st September, 1915.

No. 130.—Petition of WILLIAM McHugh, of Onehunga.

Praying that compensation may be paid to him for alleged unlawful arrest under a warrant.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred

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21st September, 1915.

No. 270.—Petition of Roy RICHARD MEYER, of Hamilton East.

Praying to be paid the value of certain goods lent by him to the New Zealand Government and not returned.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, but that careful inquiry should be made as to the equity and reasonableness of such claim.

21st September, 1915.

Debate on the question, "That the report do lie upon the table, and, together with the petition, be referred to the Government for favourable consideration and careful inquiry," interrupted by the 5.30 adjournment.

Nos. 603 (1914), 136, and 241.—Petitions of the Petone Borough Council and the Lower Hutt Borough Council.

PRAYING for postponement of the passing of the Hutt Road Bill.

I am directed to report that, the Bill to which these petitions relate having passed its third reading in the House, this Committee has no recommendation to make.

24th September, 1915.

No. 226.—Petition of W. J. Monaghan and 5 Others, of Karori.

Praying to be granted the Maori War Medal.

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

24th September, 1915.