No. 415.—Petition of J. McParland and 7 Others, of Wellington.

Praying that licensed victuallers owning the freehold of their premises be considered in the compensation provisions of the Sale of Liquor Restriction Bill, 1917.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee the question raised by this petition being one of public policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

12th October, 1917.

No. 398.—Petition of Thomas E. Roberts, of Wellington.

PRAYING for refund of contributions paid to the Public Service Superannuation Fund as the result of an alleged omission on the part of the Justice Department.

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

12th October, 1917.

No. 449.—Petition of Walter Tonkin, of Nelson.

Praying for an inquiry into the circumstances attending his dismissal from the Police Force. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 12th October, 1917.

No. 389.—Petition of N. G. Trotter and 127 Others, of Riverton, and 4 similar Petitions (as per Schedule attached).

PRAYING that provision be made for completing the Orepuki - Round Hill Road.

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

12th October, 1917.

SCHEDULE.

No. 390.—James Couling and 127 others. No. 391.—C. C. Nicholas and 84 others. No. 447.—H. McLiskey and 22 others. No. 448.—T. Powell and 30 others.

No. 411.—Petition of John J. Meikle, of Auckland.

Praying for compensation for injuries alleged to have been sustained by him.

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

17th October, 1917.

No. 412.—Petition of John J. Meikle, of Auckland.

Praying for an inquiry into the conduct of certain persons before the Meikle Royal Commission. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 17th October, 1917.

No. 470.—Petition of D. M. Polson, of Wellington.

Praying that his son, A. J. N. Polson, may be discharged from camp and released from further military service as being medically unfit.

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

17th October, 1917.

No. 465.—Petition of C. W. Stephenson, of Wellington.

Praying for relief consequent on his compulsory retirement from the Post and Telegraph Department.

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

17th October, 1917.

No. 426.—Petition of John Swann, of Aotea.

PRAYING for an inquiry into the circumstances attending his discharge from the Samoan Relief

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

17th October, 1917.

No. 464.—Petition of E. A. Wilson and 53 Others, of Waikiekie.

PRAYING for the conscription or internment of all alien enemy labour.

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

22nd October, 1917.