No. 306.—Petition of WILLIAM EARL, jun., of Waikari.

PRAYING for refund of penalty for late payment of land-tax.

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

27th October, 1919.

No. 118.—Petition of T. A. HUNTER and 306 Others, of Wellington.

Praying that inequitable discrimination in the matter of relief under the Military Service Act be not exercised.

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

27th October, 1919.

No. 308.—Petition of Fleming and Co., of Gore.

Praying for a refund of duty on automatic packeting-machine.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that, owing to the special circumstances, the petition should be referred to the favourable consideration of the Government to refund the excess duty upon the firm entering into a bond to pay the full duty in the event of the machinery being used other than in the preparation of foodstuffs, or disposed of.

4th November, 1919.

No. 357.—Petition of Emily J. Acheson, of Masterton.

Praying that a sum of money be granted her by way of compassionate allowance to enable her to pay off certain liabilities.

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

4th November, 1919.

No. 70.—Petition of W. F. Gordon, of New Plymouth.

Praying for compensation for loss of half-pay while on leave from the Survey Department.

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

4th November, 1919.

No. 292.—Petition of ROBERT HOYLE, of Arapohue.

Praying for a survey of route for branch railway to connect Dargaville and Northern Wairoa with the Main Trunk line via Mititai, Raupo, and Ruawai.

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

4th November, 1919.

FINAL REPORT.

I AM directed to report-

The Committee during the session held 10 meetings.

The Committee dealt with 54 petitions.

The number of petitions recommended for immediate and favourable consideration was 1.

The number recommended for favourable consideration was 23.

The number recommended for consideration was 13.

The number referred to other Committees was 1.

The number on which the Committee had no recommendation to make was 8.

The number held over until next session was 2.

The number referred for inquiry was 2.

The number withdrawn was 1.

The number not dealt with was 3.

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