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No. 37.—Petition of Francis Egginton, of Auckland.

Praying for refund of amount deducted from his retiring-allowance, and for legislation to prevent further deductions.

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

8th September, 1920.

No. 80 .- Petition of CLARENCE HENRY BISSON, of Napier.

Praying for refund of fine incurred through non-compliance with the demands of the Land and Income Tax Department.

I am directed to report that the petition should be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration, with a recommendation that in the opinion of the Committee the fine should be reduced to £10.

8th September, 1920.

No. 112.—Petition of Felix John Gordon Fowler, of Auckland.

Praying for wages due to him, and alleged to be held by the authorities of St. Joseph's Industrial School, Takapuna, Auckland.

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

8th September, 1920.

No. 117.—Petition of G. F. W. KRONER, of Wellington.

Praying that he be given the opportunity of determining his status and clearing his character by having his case investigated by a legal tribunal, and that adequate redress be granted to him

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

8th September, 1920.

No. 132, Petition of Ernest Alfred Chapman, and No. 133, Petition of J. G. S. Bartlett and 189 Others, of Featherston.

PRAYING that compensation be paid to E. A. Chapman, who was injured while doing his duty in the New Zealand Police Force, and resumed work before he was fit, and so undermined his health.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion, from the evidence adduced, that a prima facie case for further consideration by the Superannuation Board has been disclosed, and recommends that the matter be referred back to the Board for inquiry, and an opportunity be given at such inquiry to Mr. Chapman to produce any evidence he thinks necessary.

8th September, 1920.

No. 85.—Petition of John Timothy Foley, of Wellington.

PRAYING for redress for alleged unlawful imprisonment through conspiracy by police.

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

20th September, 1920.

(Referred back for further consideration.)

No. 106.--Petition of WILLIAM A. Johnston, of Wellington.

PRAYING for compensation for loss of wages and a refund of legal expenses incurred through alleged wrongful arrest.

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

20th September, 1920.

No. 148.—Petition of Percival Cumming Elliott, of Wellington.

Praying that reasonable compensation be given him for loss of his business, livelihood, and profit as hotelkeeper in Apia, Samoa.

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

20th September, 1920.

No. 109.—Petition of WILLIAM LEGERTWOOD DAVIDSON, of Wellington.

PRAYING for an inquiry into the administration of the Public Works Office at Tauranga.

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

20th September, 1920.