

REPORTS.

No. 104 of 1917.—Petition of A. E. STENBECK, of Auckland.

PRAYING for compensation for loss alleged to be due to cancellation of his lease of the Government accommodation-house at Rarotonga.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.
3rd August, 1920.

No. 352 of 1919.—Petition of ROBERT SEATTER, of Otautau, and 769 Others.

PRAYING for provision of better ferry service between Stewart Island and the mainland, either by way of subsidy to the Bluff Harbour Board or by other means.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, with a suggestion that the "Tutanekai" should be put on for one season of five months (1st December to 30th April) on a Bluff, Stewart Island, Milford Sound, and Martin's Bay round.

5th August, 1920.

No. 351 of 1919.—Petition of H. H. THOMPSON, of Wellington.

PRAYING for compensation for alleged wrongful imprisonment by the military authorities.

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

11th August, 1920.

No. 53, Petition of ROBERT MCKEEN and 2,257 Others, and No. 66, Petition of A. PARLAND and 685 Others, of Wellington.

PRAYING for the founding of an organized housing scheme, and for the continuance and extension of the War Regulations as to limitation of rents.

I am directed to report that, as these petitions relate to a matter of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

25th August, 1920.

No. 172.—Petition of GEORGE MCCLYMONT, of Hastwell, Mangamahoe.

PRAYING for compensation for loss sustained on his farm by sparks from the railway.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee, as this petition relates to working railways, it should be referred to the Railways Committee.

25th August, 1920.

No. 118.—Petition of GEORGE SMITH and 3 Others, of Gisborne.

PRAYING for compensation or other relief in respect of a certain contract with the Gisborne Borough Council.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, with a suggestion that legislation should be passed enabling the Gisborne Borough Council to make such extra payments to the petitioners as may be agreed upon between the parties, or, in the event of disagreement, payments may be fixed by the Supreme Court.

25th August, 1920.

No. 33.—Petition of A. F. WIMSETT, of Wellington.

PRAYING for relief and refund of costs of trial for a certain burglary at the General Post Office, Wellington, in 1909.

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

25th August, 1920.

No. 371 of 1919.—Petition of J. SANDS and 27 Others, of Cambridge, Waikato.

PRAYING for the immediate restoration of the pre-war reduced passages for women and girls suitable for domestic help.

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

25th August, 1920.