

REPORTS.

No. 8.—Petition of WILLIAM SADLER and 3 Others, of Christchurch.

PRAYING for further compassionate allowance for his sister who was injured in the Rakaia railway collision in 1899.

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

20th September, 1920.

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

PRAYING for compensation for loss of property through fire alleged to have been caused by sparks from railway-engine.

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

20th September, 1920.

No. 115, Petition of J. D. LYNCH and 12 Others, of Greymouth; and No. 119, Petition of JOHN MENZIES and 10 Others, of Westport.

PRAYING for the renewal of railway concessions to teachers in Catholic schools.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion these petitions should be referred to the Education Committee.

20th September, 1920.

No. 136.—Petition of ARTHUR F. WEBSTER, of Auckland.

PRAYING for compensation on account of compulsory retirement from Railway service without superannuation.

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

20th September, 1920.

NOTE.—Referred back by House, 20th September, 1920. See report of 1st October, 1920.

No. 10.—Petition of WILLIAM HODGE, of Christchurch.

PRAYING for an inquiry into circumstances of his employment in the Railway Department, and asking leave to be heard before the bar of the House.

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

20th September, 1920.

No. 1.—Petition of JOHN HAND and 18 Others, of Wellington (and 17 similar Petitions, as per Schedule attached).

PRAYING that allowances received from the superannuation fund be increased owing to the higher cost of living.

I am directed to report that as this is a question of policy the Committee has no recommendation to make.

20th September, 1920.

SCHEDULE.

No. 2.—E. Wilson.
 No. 3.—Angus Mitchell and 35 others.
 No. 21.—William Hodge and 12 others.
 No. 22.—Thos. Livingstone and 9 others.
 No. 23.—J. Williams and 14 others.
 No. 24.—Henry Owen and 25 others.
 No. 25.—Charles How and 11 others.
 No. 26.—D. McKillop and 2 others.
 No. 27.—Joseph Sherris and 5 others.

No. 28.—A. Atyeo and 4 others.
 No. 29.—E. Longman and 49 others.
 No. 35.—M. Guthrie and 8 others.
 No. 48.—J. Muirhead and 25 others.
 No. 81.—Thos. S. Edwards and 15 others.
 No. 89.—W. Makin and 13 others.
 No. 96.—W. Solomon and 4 others.
 No. 108.—T. Breeze and 5 others.