

No. 359.—Petition of JAMES O'DEA, of Wellington.

PRAYING for an inquiry into the proceedings which resulted in his commitment to the Waitati Home in 1904, with a view to granting him compensation.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.
29th October, 1924.

No. 196.—Petition of J. L. SWEENEY and 102 Others, of Okarito.

PRAYING that the improvement of Okarito Harbour be proceeded with.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration, with the recommendation that full investigation be made by the Marine and Forestry Departments.

30th October, 1924.

No. 102.—Petition of D. J. ALBERT and 4 Others, of Takapuna.

PRAYING that steps be taken to endeavour to bring the New Hebrides directly under British control.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, with the recommendation that the representation made in the petition be transmitted to the Imperial authorities for immediate consideration.

30th October, 1924.

No. 165.—Petition of THOMAS WAUGH and 3 Others, of Wellington.

PRAYING that the Government give consideration to the competition between the State Forestry Department and private nurserymen.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

6th November, 1924.

No. 400.—Petition of E. W. WATSON, of Hastings.

PRAYING for a refund of land-tax collected by the Tax Department in error.

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

6th November, 1924.

No. 382.—Petition of P. MUIRHEAD and 39 Others, of Whitehall.

PRAYING for an inquiry into the taking of a poll of the ratepayers of Matamata County on the 1st October, 1924.

I am directed to report that the Committee, at the request of the petitioner, asks the permission of the House that this petition be withdrawn.

6th November, 1924.

No. 396.—Petition of LILIAN MAY SKEELS, of Auckland.

PRAYING for a refund of stamp duty paid on an agreement which was not subsequently completed.

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

6th November, 1924.

No. 352.—Petition of G. PETRIE and 78 Others, of Aria.

PRAYING that the name of William David Anderson be expunged from the criminal records of the Supreme Court, and that he be compensated for an alleged miscarriage of justice.

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

6th November, 1924.

No. 390.—Petition of TIRATU CO-OPERATIVE DAIRY COMPANY (LIMITED), of Tiratu.

PRAYING for reduction of their liability to the Repatriation Department.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration, with the recommendation that the matter be fully investigated by the Valuation Board with a view of giving some relief to petitioners.

6th November, 1924.