

REPORTS.

No. 111.—Petition of WILLIAM ROBERT LEATHER, of Huntly.

PRAYING for an investigation into the administration for coal-mining purposes of an area known as Lake Waahi, Huntly.

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

19th August, 1927.

No. 2.—Petition of MARY S. DICKSON, of Thames.

PRAYING that she be granted a compassionate allowance equal to the Miners' widows' pension.

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

19th August, 1927.

No. 114.—Petition of HANNAH WILSON and 21 Others.

PRAYING that the Kaitangata Relief Fund be made available for the widows and children of the miners who lost their lives in the Kaitangata disaster on the 21st February, 1879.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration, with a recommendation that the law be amended to empower the Hon. the Minister of Mines to grant assistance to necessitous dependants of the miners who lost their lives in the Kaitangata disaster.

21st September, 1927.

No. 115.—Petition of JOHN T. JOHNSON, of Waipori.

PRAYING that the Dunedin City Corporation Empowering Amendment Bill be not allowed to proceed until the matters in dispute between the petitioner and the Dunedin City Corporation concerning certain mining privileges at Waipori have been settled.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make in regard to this petition.

21st September, 1927.

No. 133.—Petition of JOHN T. JOHNSON, of Waipori.

PRAYING that the Dunedin City Corporation Empowering Amendment Bill be not allowed to proceed until the matters in dispute between the petitioner and the Dunedin City Corporation concerning certain mining privileges at Waipori have been settled; and, further, that a Commission be appointed to inquire into the matter of Waipori mining rights.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make in regard to this petition.

21st September, 1927.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPER NO. 2.—REGULATIONS UNDER THE MINING ACT, 1926.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Goldfields and Mines Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned parliamentary paper, has carefully considered and approved of the same.

21st September, 1927.

DUNEDIN CITY CORPORATION EMPOWERING AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Goldfields and Mines Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that the said Bill has been carefully considered, and the Committee recommends that it be allowed to proceed, with amendments as shown on a copy of the Bill attached hereto.

21st September, 1927.

MINING AMENDMENT BILL.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Committee has carefully considered the above Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed with the amendments shown on the copy of the Bill attached hereto.

1st November, 1927.

No. 286.—Petition of J. T. JOHNSON, of Waipori.

PRAYING that his claim for relief be referred to an independent tribunal.

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

1st November, 1927.

COAL-MINES AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Goldfields and Mines Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that the said Bill has been carefully considered, and the Committee recommends that it be allowed to proceed, with amendments as shown on a copy of the Bill attached hereto.

15th November, 1927.