No. 180, Petition of Victor J. Gamble and 10 Others, of Ouruhia; No. 181, Petition of O. V. Berry and 3 Others, of Spreydon: No. 182, Petition of Henry Rochfort and 3 Others, of Christchurch; No. 183, Petition of Mary B. Hounsell and Another.

Praying that early service should be allowed and calculated for their claim on the Teachers' Superannuation Fund.

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

16th September, 1927.

Religious Exercises in Schools Bill: Special Report.

I Am directed to report that the Committee has resolved that its proceedings during the taking of evidence on petitions relating to the Religious Exercises in Schools Bill be open to accredited representatives of the press.

21st September, 1927.

No. 108.—Petition of CAROLINE SLOAN, of Papanui School.

Praying that her back service be counted for teachers' superannuation purposes.

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

21st September, 1927.

No. 11, Petition of J. W. Perrett and 136 Others, and No. 12, Petition of Tai P. Toi and 81 Others, all of Kawakawa, Bay of Islands.

Praying that school-children be exempted from compulsory medical examination.

I am directed to report that the Education Committee recommends that these petitions be referred to the Health Committee.

17th October, 1927.

No. 65.—Petition of Mary Ingley, of Halswell School.

Praying that her back service be counted for teachers' superannuation purposes.

I am directed to report that the committee has no recommendation to make. 17th October, 1927.

No. 72.—Petition of A. M. Cowan, of Kumeu, Auckland.

Praying for an allowance, by way of a pension or otherwise, on account of services rendered as a school-teacher at Niue.

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

17th October, 1927.

No. 188.—Petition of Margaret Barlow, of Gisborne.

Praying that her broken service be allowed to count for superannuation purposes under the Teachers' Superannuation Fund.

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

17th October, 1927.

No. 231.—Petition of MARY A. ANDERSON, of Gore.

Praying that her broken service be counted for superannuation purposes under the Teachers' Superannuation Fund.

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

17th October, 1927.

No. 63.—Petition of M. Aldis and 16 others, of Auckland.

Praying for an inquiry into the administration of the Jubilee Institute for the Blind. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

25th October, 1927.

No. 179.—Petition of A. W. BARKER and 307 Others, of Kaikoura.

Praying for the erection of a building for the secondary classes of the Kaikoura District High School.

I am directed to report that, the subject being one of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

26th October, 1927.