#### 1929. NEW ZEALAND.

# INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE).

(Mr. SYDNEY G. SMITH, CHAIRMAN.)

Presented to the House of Representatives, and ordered to be printed.

#### ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

FRIDAY, THE 2ND DAY OF AUGUST, 1929.

Ordered, "That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to deal with all matters in connection with industries and commerce; with power to call for persons, papers, and records; three to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. Ansell, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Harris, Mr. H. Holland, Mr. Munns, Mr. Savage, Mr. Smith, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Wilkinson, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. Cobbe.)

FRIDAY, THE 23RD DAY OF AUGUST, 1929.

Ordered, "That parliamentary paper A.-3 ('Cook and other Islands: Annual Report for 1929—In continuation of parliamentary paper A.-3 of 1928'), laid upon the table of the House on the 17th July, be referred to the Industries and Commerce Committee."—(Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata.)

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1929.

Ordered, "That the Licensing Amendment Bill be referred to the Industries and Commerce Committee."-(Mr. Mason.)

THURSDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1929.

Ordered, "That it be an instruction to the Industries and Commerce Committee to inquire into the difficulties which affect the marketing of fruit-cases made from New Zealand native timbers and New-Zealand-grown timbers, and generally to inquire into the reasons for the preference now accorded to fruit-cases made from imported timber, and to report to the House its recommendations as to the best means of ensuring the use of local timber in the future."— (Hon. Mr. TAVERNER.)

THURSDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF OCTOBER, 1929.

ordered, that the report of the Cash-order Trading System presented to this House be referred to the Industries and Commerce Committee for consideration and report; the Committee to consider specifically whether the recommendation that the system should be controlled by legislation should be adopted, and, if so, generally to report upon the proposals submitted on page 8 of the report, dealing with the form such legislation should take."—(Hon. Mr. Cobbe.) FRIDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1929.

Ordered, "That the petition of J. W. Ranson and others be referred direct to the Industries and Commerce Committee."—(Mr. Fraser.)

### REPORTS.

No. 270.—Petition of E. W. Humphrey and Samuel Sigall, of Wellington.

Praying that the matter of competition at cut rates by other retail traders should be investigated with a view to amending the law to protect tobacconists.

I have to report that, as the subject-matter of this petition deals with a question of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

19th September, 1929.

## LICENSING AMENDMENT BILL.

I have the honour to report that the Committee has carefully considered this Bill, and recommends that it be not allowed to proceed, being of opinion that its object should be reserved for consideration when next amendments to the present licensing laws are contemplated.

1st November, 1929.