

REPORTS.

No. 154, 1934-35.—Petition of H. L. P. DYETT and 30 Others (representing the Karori and Northland Progressive Associations).

PRAYING that legislation be enacted empowering the Wellington City Council to lay a double tramway track via Bowen and Museum Streets.

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

10th October, 1935.

No. 349, 1934-35.—Petition of R. W. CAMPBELL and Another.

PRAYING that their convictions on a criminal charge be quashed.

I am directed to report that as the petitioners have not exhausted their legal remedy the Committee has no recommendation to make.

10th October, 1935.

No. 356, 1934-35.—Petition of THE CORPORATION OF THE MAYOR, COUNCILLORS, AND BURGESSES OF THE BOROUGH OF LOWER HUTT.

PRAYING for compensation for loss of rates incurred in regard to lands mortgaged to the Crown.

I have the honour to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration. The amount of the loss stated in the petition was £30,123 6s. 11d., but this was amended in evidence to £20,461 2s., and the petition should be read subject to this alteration.

10th October, 1935.

No. 364, 1934-35.—Petition of T. FLAWS, of Masterton.

PRAYING for compensation on account of damage to his property allegedly caused by the destruction during a storm of trees growing on a railway reserve.

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

10th October, 1935.

No. 7.—Petition of W. P. FINCH and Another.

PRAYING for recovery of architects' fees and other expenses incurred arising out of the erection of certain business premises under the provisions of the Hawke's Bay Earthquake Act, 1931.

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

10th October, 1935.

No. 10.—Petition of R. F. BRETT and Another.

PRAYING for a refund of stamp duty.

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

E. F. HEALY, Chairman.

10th October, 1935.

No. 26.—Petition of H. CUNNINGHAME and 4,536 Others, and 6 Similar Petitions as per Schedule attached.

PRAYING that legislation be enacted providing for the taking of a poll on the question of constituting a national Saturday half-holiday.

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

SCHEDULE.

No. 27.—S. A. Mason and 32 others.
No. 37.—E. W. Low and 23 others.
No. 38.—A. E. Foote and 547 others.

No. 61.—N. A. Dalzell and 70 others.
No. 135.—W. Blundell and 243 others.
No. 169.—E. Thompson and 2,426 others.

R. A. WRIGHT, for Chairman.

22nd October, 1935.