

No. 290.—Petition of A. L. WILLIAMS, of Apia, Western Samoa.

PRAYING that an inquiry be held into the circumstances surrounding his dismissal from the position of clerk and book-keeper to the central group of New Zealand Reparation Estates, Samoa; that he be granted compensation for alleged wrongful dismissal; and that he be reinstated in his former employment.

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

29th October, 1936.

No. 127, 1935.—Petition of W. H. J. MANGIN, of Wellington.

PRAYING for a compassionate grant on account of injuries allegedly sustained while undergoing a course of instruction on the training-ship "Amokura."

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

29th October, 1936.

No. 211, 1935.—Petition of TE KUITI BOROUGH COUNCIL and 1,357 Others.

PRAYING that legislation be enacted providing for the taking of a referendum on the licensing question in the King-country.

I am directed to report that, as a question of policy is involved, in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

29th October, 1936.

No. 212, 1935.—Petition of TAUMARUNUI BOROUGH COUNCIL, and 4,211 Others.

PRAYING that legislation be enacted providing for the taking of a referendum on the licensing question in the King-country.

I am directed to report that, as a question of policy is involved, in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

29th October, 1936.

No. 214, 1935.—Petition of E. V. SANDERSON and Another (representing the Forest and Bird Protection Society, Incorporated), and 1,399 Others.

PRAYING that legislation be enacted to abolish the traffic in birds in New Zealand and to prevent the catching and liming of both native and imported birds.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, and the Committee recommends that the trafficking in and caging of wild birds be prohibited.

Clyde Carr, Chairman.

29th October, 1936.

SPECIAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that at its final meeting the Public Petitions M to Z Committee passed the following resolution: "That this Committee place on record its high appreciation of the care and ability with which the Chairman, Rev. Clyde Carr, has conducted the business of the Committee, and directs that this resolution be reported to the House."

JOHN G. COBBE, a Member of the Committee.

29th October, 1936.

SPECIAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that at its final meeting the Public Petitions M to Z Committee passed the following resolution: "That this Committee place on record its appreciation of the capable manner in which the Clerk, Mr. E. A. Dobbie, has carried out his duties during the session, and directs that this resolution be reported to the House."

29th October, 1936.