SOUTHLAND LAND DRAINAGE AMENDMENT BILL.

The Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it is a local Bill; that the Standing Orders have been complied with, with the exception of Standing Order 366, which, in so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which local Bills may be introduced, was suspended by the House; that the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are affected, in that clause 8 specifically purports to bind the Crown. (Note.—If the amendments of the Committee are adopted, clause 8 will be deleted); and that the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed thereto.

8th September, 1938.

DUNEDIN DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE BOARD EMPOWERING BILL.

The Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it is a local Bill; that the Standing Orders have been complied with, with the exception of Standing Order 366, which, in so far as it relates to the number of days from the commencement of the session within which local Bills may be introduced, was suspended by the House; that the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected; and that the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto. Sth September, 1938.

CORNWALL PARK TRUSTEES RATING EXEMPTION BILL.

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the Cornwall Park Trustees Rating Exemption Bill (a private Bill), has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the said Bill and taken evidence thereon, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed without amendment.

12th September, 1938.

GREYMOUTH HARBOUR BOARD LOAN BILL,

The Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it is a local Bill; that the Standing Orders have not been complied with; that the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected; and that the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

12th September, 1938.

NELSON CITY EMPOWERING BILL.

The Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it is a local Bill; that the Standing Orders have not been complied with, but were suspended by the House; that the rights and prerogatives of the Crown are not affected; and that the Committee recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed, with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

13th September, 1938.

LOCAL LEGISLATION BILL.

The Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the Local Legislation Bill, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the said Bill and taken evidence thereon, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed without amendment.

13th September, 1938.

Local Legislation Bill (Amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General, and contained in Supplementary Order Paper No. 18).

THE Local Bills Committee, to which was referred the amendments to the Local Legislation Bill proposed by His Excellency the Governor-General and contained in Supplementary Order Paper No. 18, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the said amendments and taken evidence thereon, and recommends that they be allowed to proceed without amendment.

J. W. Munro, Chairman.