

REPORTS.

NEW PLYMOUTH BOROUGH LAND EXCHANGE AND EMPOWERING BILL.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the New Plymouth Borough Land Exchange and Empowering Bill, and recommends that, so far as it affects public reserves or domains, the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

24th August, 1939.

BLUFF BOROUGH COUNCIL EMPOWERING BILL.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the Bluff Borough Council Empowering Bill, and, so far as it affects the rights and prerogatives of the Crown, recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

24th August, 1939.

No. 9.—Petition of E. R. RENNER and Another, of Patutahi, Farmers.

PRAYING for an inquiry into the valuation placed on their property under the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, and for relief from an order of the Court of Review and other relief.

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered this petition. The Committee is of opinion that the prayer of the petition is, in effect, a prayer for the revision of the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, and, this being a matter of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

24th August, 1939.

C. M. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

OTAGO HARBOUR BOARD EMPOWERING BILL.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the Otago Harbour Board Empowering Bill, and recommends that, so far as it affects the rights and prerogatives of the Crown, the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

12th September, 1939.

AUCKLAND CITY EMPOWERING BILL.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered the Auckland City Empowering Bill, and recommends that, so far as it affects a public reserve, the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

12th September, 1939.

No. 32.—Petition of J. PAGAN, of Wellington, New Zealand, Discharged Soldier.

PRAYING for compensation in respect of land resumed by the Crown.

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered this petition, and has no recommendation to make.

12th September, 1939.

No. 102/1938.—Petition of J. MOYNIHAN, of Auckland, formerly Farmer.

PRAYING for an inquiry into the circumstances of the purchase and loss of his farm.

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered this petition, and has no recommendation to make.

12th September, 1939.

No. 40.—Petition of F. S. BOWEN and Others, of Gisborne, Sheep-farmers.

PRAYING for the revival of an Adjustment Commission under the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act for the purpose of making further adjustments in certain stock accounts.

I have the honour to report that the Lands Committee has carefully considered this petition. The Committee is of opinion that the prayer of the petition is, in effect, a prayer for the revision of the Mortgagors and Lessees Rehabilitation Act, and, this being a matter of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

12th September, 1939.

B. ROBERTS, for Chairman.