1882.

NEW ZEALAND.

REPORTS OF PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE

(MR. T. KELLY, CHAIRMAN).

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

No. 2.—Petition of County Councils North of Auckland.

The petitioners state that they are powerless to carry on the functions for which counties have been constituted, as the sources of revenue placed at their disposal are insufficient; and pray that out of any further loan an appropriation may be made out of the fund and land endowments granted to the above Councils.

I am directed to report: The Committee are of opinion the petition be referred to the Government

for consideration. 31st May, 1882.

No. 9.—Petition of Hugh Cameron and Others, of Southland.

THE petitioners state that two lines of railway were surveyed starting from Kelso and joining the main trunk line at Gore, and pray that your honorable House will resolve that the line via Waikaka Township and Okapua Valley is the most direct, beneficial, and cheapest line to be constructed from Kelso to Gore.

I am directed to report: The Committee are of opinion that the petition be referred to the Govern-

ment for consideration.

31st May, 1882.

No. 11.—Petition of E. CAFLER and other Settlers, Whangarei.

THE petitioners pray that funds may be granted for improving the Harbour of Whangarei.

I am directed to report: The Committee are of opinion that the petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

1st June, 1882.

No. 24.—Petition of G. J. Bruce and Settlers of the Township of Fitzherbert.

The petitioners pray that the sum of £500 be placed on the Estimates for the Fitzherbert Gorge Road.

No. 25.—Petition of John Mould and other Settlers North of Auckland. The petitioners claim to be placed on equal footing with others as to railway construction.

No. 26.—Petition of J. L. Wilson and Settlers North of Auckland. The petitioners claim to be placed on an equal footing with others as to railway construction.

I am directed to report: The Committee are of opinion these petitions be referred to the Government for consideration.

1st June, 1882.

No. 27.—Petition of Whangarei High School Board of Governors.

THE petitioners pray that they may be placed in a position to increase the number of students and the efficiency of the High School, by having available school-buildings and accommodation for masters and boarders.

I am directed to report: The Committee are of opinion that the petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

1st June, 1882.