#### No. 32.—Petition of DAVID MILLAR, of Roslyn.

The petitioner states that he petitioned the House relative to a grievance in connection with his son who was an apprentice in the railway workshops, Dunedin, and the Committee recommended the Government to take his case into favourable consideration, which has not been given effect to. He prays that effect may be given to the recommendation of last session.

I am directed to report: The Committee, having reconsidered the case of the apprentice, David Millar, are of opinion that the sum claimed by him for back wages due, namely, £65 4s, be paid.

1st June, 1882.

### No. 3.—Petition of J. B. Wilson.

THE petitioner states that he served in the Waikato and Patea District in the war of 1863, and asks

for a grant of land.

I am directed to report: It appears that the claim of the petitioner was submitted to the Royal Commission lately appointed to inquire into such claims, and the claim was rejected. The Committee do not consider it desirable to reopen the case, and cannot recommend the prayer of the petition to the favourable consideration of the House.

6th June, 1882.

### No. 7.—Petition of Joseph Kennerly, of Auckland.

THE petitioner states that in the year 1878 he prepared and submitted to the Government a scheme for the encouragement of emigration, from England, of tenant-farmers possessed of capital; and that in the year 1879 he was informed that if he went Home, and was successful in inducing tenant-farmers with capital to come to New Zealand, the Government would reward him with an appointment as Sheep Inspector; that in June, 1879, he went Home and remained until May, 1880, engaged almost solely in carrying out the scheme proposed by him at a considerable cost to himself; that his exertions were successful; and that he received a letter of thanks from the Agent-General. He states that, although his success has been acknowledged, he has been deprived of the reward promised.

I am directed to report: After examining the petitioner and Mr. Stout, and having carefully considered the correspondence and report from the Immigration Department on the claims of the petitioner, the Committee are of opinion that the petitioner has no claim against the Government.

8th June, 1882.

# No. 12.—Petition of John Lynch, Coromandel.

THE petitioner states that in the year 1872 he conveyed a piece of land to the Provincial Government for a courthouse, Mr. Sheehan, on behalf of the Government, promising to make a road from the front of the said courthouse to the road leading from Coromandel Township to the Beach Road; and also to allow petitioner to select certain land from the Awakanae Block; that these conditions have

not been fulfilled. He therefore prays for compensation.

I am directed to report: The Committee, having taken the evidence of Mr. Sheehan, are of opinion that the petitioner has no claim whatever on the colony, as he received the full consideration

agreed on for the land in question.

8th June, 1882.

# No. 15.—Petition of Alexander Hamilton, of Invercargill.

THE petitioner states that he was employed as railway porter on the Southland Section of the colonial railways; that, while so employed, he sustained injuries which necessitated the amputation of his left leg. He therefore prays for compensation.

I am directed to report: The Committee recommend the Government to make the payment of £50 recommended last session, and would suggest the propriety of an assurance fund being instituted against accident in the Railway Department.

8th June, 1882.

No. 42.—Petition of Robert Hefford and Settlers North of Auckland. THE petitioners pray that a trunk line of railway may be constructed.

No. 43.—Petition of J. W. C. SMITH and Others.

THE petioners pray that a trunk line of railway may be constructed.

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

8th June, 1882.

#### No. 58.—Petition of A. O'BRIEN and Others, Motueka.

THE petitioners state they are living on the west bank of the Motueka River, quite isolated from the rest of the district, and pray that a suspension horse-bridge may be constructed over the said river at the point known as Major Patton's Bluff.

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

8th June, 1882.