No. 141.—Petition of D. KILLAHAN and 13 Others, of Mayfield, Ashburton.

Petitioners pray that the Education Act may be amended, so as to allow of religious instruction in

I am directed to report that, as this petition involves matters of Government policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

7th August, 1895.

No. 131.—Petition of L. M. Ludbrook and 419 Others, of Parakara, Auckland.

PETITIONERS pray for an amendment of the Education Act to permit of religious instruction in schools.

I am directed to report that, as this petition involves matters of Government policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

7th August, 1895.

No. 109.—Petition of Gerald Fitzgerald, Grant Road, Wellington.

Petitioner prays for compensation for loss of office, and for removal expenses.

I am directed to report that, the petitioner having been offered £30 to reimburse his expenditure for removal, and that sum being still ready for his acceptance, the Committee has no recommendation to make upon that head; and, as to the remainder of the petition, that the petitioner has no claim against the colony.

9th August, 1895.

No. 90.—Petition of WILLIAM HEPBURN, of Wellington.

PETITIONER prays for compensation for loss of office.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that the petitioner has been paid his full compensation in accordance with the regulations made by the Defence Minister, therefore the Committee has no recommendation to make.

9th August, 1895.

No. 191.—Petition of W. M. DE WESTON and WIFE, of Christchurch.

Petitioners pray for relief on account of alleged injuries received from a detective.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the petitioners have no claim against the colony.

9th August, 1895.

No. 177.—Petition of ELIZABETH CAMPBELL, Hart Street, Roslyn, Dunedin.

Petitioner prays for a compassionate allowance.

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

9th August, 1895.

No. 155.—Petition of H. von Blaramberg, of Palmerston North (No. 3).

PETITIONER prays for £5,000 compensation on account of injuries said to have been received at the

hands of the Wanganui Education Board.

I am directed to report that, as the charges and complaints made in this petition affect the Board of Education only, the Committee is of opinion that the petitioner has not exhausted his legal remedies, and, further, that he has no claim against the colony.

9th August, 1895.

Nos. 162 and 164. — Petitions of G. B. Inglis and Others, and James Keir and Others, of Ashburton.

PETITIONERS protest against the Bank of New Zealand Estates Lottery Bill.

I am directed to report that, as the subject-matter of this petition has already been dealt with by the House and rejected, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

9th August, 1895.

No. 182.—Petition of R. Beattie and Others, of Christchurch.

Petitioners pray for a grant in aid of Herrick's City Mission Home, Christchurch.

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

9th August, 1895.

No. 176.—Petition of H. B. Huddleston, of Blenheim.

PETITIONER prays for redress on account of the non-granting of a surveyor's license.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the petitioner is not entitled to the relief asked for.

13th August, 1895.

No. 146.—Petition of John Lawson, Official Assignee, of Auckland (No. 2).

PETITIONER prays for a payment in the interests of the creditors of an estate.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the petitioner has no claim against the colony.

13th August, 1895.