No. 239.—Petition of ALEXANDER FLEMING, of Moeraki.

PETITIONER prays for relief for having attended certain Maoris medically.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 28th August, 1900.

No. 233.—Petition of R. Allan and 86 Others, of Christchurch.

Petitioners pray that an additional duty of 2d. per pound be imposed on all teas imported in packets or boxes of less than 30 lb. net.

I am directed to report that, as the subject of the petition is a matter of policy, the Committee

has no recommendation to make.

28th August, 1900.

No. 207.—Petition of J. TREMAIN and 589 Others, of Auckland.

PETITIONERS pray that the Bill for the abolition of trading-stamps now before the House may become law.

I am directed to report that the petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

28th August, 1900.

No. 268.—Petition of John Knight and Others, of New Brighton, Christchurch.

Petitioners pray for relief in that John Knight was confined as a lunatic for three months, and was never insane.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

28th August, 1900.

No. 141.—Petition of Alison Bain and 83 Others, of Bainham.

PETITIONERS pray that a suspension-bridge be erected, connecting the communities on either side of the Aorere River at Bainham.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

30th August, 1900.

No. 98.—Petition of Adam Armstrong, of Carterton.

PETITIONER prays for reimbursement of expenses incurred by him as Returning Officer in the conduct of licensing election, Wairarapa District.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend the petition to the favourable con-

sideration of the Government.

30th August, 1900.

No. 324.—Petition of CAMPBELL JOHNSTON and Others, of Raglan.

PETITIONERS pray that an inquiry be held into the conduct of a certain police constable.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 30th August, 1900.

No. 116.—Petition of John Holmes, of Wellington.

Petitioner prays for compensation for heavy losses sustained when acting as special Fibre Commissioner.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 6th September, 1900.

No. 323.—Petition of MARY ANN DONNELLY, of Wellington.

PETITIONER prays for a compassionate allowance.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend the petition be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

6th September, 1900.

No. 158.—Petition of H. L. Greer, of Johnsonville.

PETITIONER prays that he be advised of the reason why the Government will not comply with the recommendation of the Public Petitions A to L Committee of 1899.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 6th September, 1900.

No. 131.—Petition of J. H. BANNEHR and Others, of Nelson.

Petitioners pray that Nelson may be declared a place where the University examinations may be held.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that the five (5) districts proposed by the University Senate to be abolished be retained; that the Government be recommended to hold Matriculation and Civil Service Examinations, &c., wherever there is a high school.

7th September, 1900.

No. 39.—Petition of The GISBORNE HIGH SCHOOL BOARD, of Gisborne.

PETITIONERS pray that University examinations be continued to be held at Gisborne.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that the five (5) districts proposed by the University Senate to be abolished be retained; that the Government be recommended to hold Matriculation and Civil Service Examinations, &c., wherever there is a high school.

7th September, 1900.