No. 329.—Petition of James Samson Neave, of Gore.

PETITIONER prays that the law-costs incurred by and owing to him on account of the prosecution and conviction of William Lambert for perjury in connection with the case of John James Meikle may be paid to him.

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

29th August, 1900.

No. 346.—Petition of John Wilkins and 29 Others, of Auckland. (Report No. 1.)

PETITIONERS pray that the manufacture of pure and wholesome wines may be encouraged, and that the present licensing law in respect to wine licenses may be amended.

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

29th August, 1900.

No. 260.—Petition of Rev. Joseph S. Smalley, of Nelson.

PETITIONER prays that a Bill may be introduced making the totalisator illegal.

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

4th September, 1900.

No. 322.—Petition of T. W. P. SMITH and 165 Others, of Auckland.

PETITIONERS pray that all Government subsidies to local bodies may be made available for expenditure in the spring of each year, and that the taking-up and settling of Crown lands be facilitated in every way, &c.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petition be referred to the Govern-

ment for consideration.

4th September, 1900.

No. 209.—Petition of John George Pascoe, of Wellington.

PETITIONER prays that he may be granted a rehearing of his case, &c.

I am directed to report that the Committee sees no reason for departing from the decision arrived at on a similar petition dated the 25th July last-viz., "That the Committee has no recommendation to make."

4th September, 1900.

No. 110.—Petition of James Nightingale, of Hokitika.

PETITIONER prays that he may be given employment in the Government service, or other relief. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

4th September, 1900.

No. 271.—Petition of NIMMO AND BLAIR and 5 Others, of Dunedin.

PETITIONERS pray that an alteration may be made in the Customs tariff in connection with the importation of seeds in packets, &c.

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

4th September, 1900.

No. 274.—Petition of FILIPPO MARANGONI, of Wellington.

PETITIONER prays that he may be granted some relief in his old age, &c.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 4th September, 1900.

No. 172.—Petition of John Wheeler, of Ruakiwi.

PETITIONER prays that further investigation may be made into his claim for a grant for military

services rendered to the colony.

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

11th September, 1900.

No. 346.—Petition of John Wilkins and 29 Others, of Auckland. (Report No. 2.)

PETITIONERS pray that the manufacture of pure and wholesome wines may be encouraged, and that the present licensing law in respect to wine licenses may be amended.

The report on this petition having been referred back by the House to the Committee for urther consideration, I am directed to report that, after further consideration, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

11th September, 1900.

No. 308.—Petition of E. S. T. SIMPSON, of Alford Forest.

PETITIONER prays for a grant of land, or its equivalent in money, for military services rendered to the colony.

Mill am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

11th September, 1900.