No. 439.—Petition of John Ross and 37 Others, of Wharekawa.

PETITIONERS pray that John Ross may be granted the sum of £100 for his time and trouble in making a portion of the road between Whangamata and Wharekawa.

I am directed to report that, as there is no information before them to show the nature of the

services rendered, the Committee have no recommendation to make.

13th September, 1900.

No. 437.-Petition of James Miller and 7 Others, of Bideford and Whareama. PETITIONERS pray that they may be granted the sum of £300 to improve the road from Bideford to the East Coast.

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

13th September, 1900.

No. 440.—Petition of W. Walls and 113 Others, of Matakanui, &c.

Petitioners pray for the construction of the Thompson's Gorge Road.

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

13th September, 1900.

No. 393.—Petition of James E. Paterson and 618 Others, of Waiapu District.

Petitioners pray that the triennial licensing poll may not be abolished, &c.

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

13th September, 1900.

No. 403.—Petition of E. Wagner, of Ramarama.

PETITIONER prays for a grant of £250 to form and metal portions of the main road in the Opaheke Highway District.

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

Government for consideration. 13th September, 1900.

No. 441.—Petition of HECTOR SHEENAN and 49 Others, of Wanganui.

PETITIONERS pray that the Government may acquire land for working-men's homes in the vicinity of Wanganui.

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

ment for consideration.

13th September, 1900.

No. 287.—Petition of Simon Ryan and 9 Others, of Wanganui.

PETITIONERS pray that they may receive a grant on account of military services rendered to the

colony, &c.

I am directed to report that, as certain other old soldiers have received separate grants for separate services, the Committee is of opinion that the petitioners' claims should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

13th September, 1900.

No. 442.—Petition of Alfred Henry White, of Nelson.

PETITIONER prays that an inquiry may be held, or that he be reappointed as head-attendant at the Nelson Lunatic Asylum, or that he be found some suitable employment.

I am directed to report that the Committee affirms the resolution arrived at on a similar petition dated the 12th July last—viz., "That the Committee has no recommendation to make."

18th September, 1900.

No. 387.—Petition of G. L. B. THOMAS, of Coromandel.

PETITIONER prays that he may be given a grant of land for military services rendered to the colony.

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

19th September, 1900.

No. 395.—Petition of John Shea, of Wanganui.

PETITIONER prays that he may be given a grant of land for military services rendered to the

colony.

m I am directed to report that, as the petitioner's remission certificate was placed in the hands of an agent, who failed to exercise it within the time prescribed by Act, the Committee recommends the petition be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

19th September, 1900.