No. 99.—Petition of WILLIAM NORGATE, of Lyttelton (No. 3).

PETITIONER prays for compensation for injuries received by him when working on a railway-truck at Lyttelton, on 23rd December, 1899.

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

13th October, 1900.

No. 249.—Petition of Alfred Reynolds, of Christchurch.

PETITIONER prays for a compassionate allowance for the loss of his eye, caused by a spark from a railway-engine.

I am directed to report that the Committee consider that, as the petitioner was compelled to have his eye taken out owing to the accident, they recommend that he be paid £100 as a compassionate allowance.

13th October, 1900.

Nos. 404 and 627.—Petitions of Archibald A. McWilliam, of Hampden.

PETITIONER prays for relief in consequence of the loss of his three horses, valued at £90, which were killed on the railway-line.

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

13th October, 1900.

No. 484.—Petition of J. Broderson, of Mauriceville.

PETITIONER prays for a right of free and permanent access through the railway reserves to his section.

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

13th October, 1900.

Nos. 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, and 509.—Petitions of H. Brown and 59 Others, M. A. Dalzell and 319 Others, J. R. Ireland and 19 Others, J. Madigan and 19 Others, E. S. Newton and 19 Others, and J. Power and 19 Others.

Petitioners pray for the completion of the railway between the Auckland Provincial District and the southern parts of the North Island.

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

Government for consideration.

13th October, 1900.

No. 556.—Petition of Parata Mate and 113 Others, of Kaipara District, Auckland.

PETITIONERS pray that the Helensville-Makarau line of railway be speedily constructed through Maungaturoto.

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

13th October, 1900.

No. 545.—Petition of John Graham and 77 Others, of Taieri.

PETITIONERS pray for the construction of a loop-line of railway from Dunedin, via Brighton and Taieri Mouth, to Milton.

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

13th October, 1900.

No. 569.—Petition of ELIZABETH KERR, of Petone, widow.

PETITIONER prays for a compassionate allowance in consequence of the loss of her husband, the result of an accident whilst working in the Petone Railway Workshops.

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

13th October, 1900.

No. 285.—Petition of David Dunn, of Oamaru.

Petitioner prays for further compensation for loss sustained by Government having taken his land for railway purposes.

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

13th October, 1900.

No. 600.—Petition of E. J. Norris, of Lyttelton.

PETITIONER prays for compensation for loss of office.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that a compassionate allowance of £25 be granted to the petitioner.

13th October, 1900.

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