

No. 62.—Petition of WILLIAM CAUSLEY, of Thames.

PETITIONER prays that he may receive compensation for loss sustained by and through rifle range adjoining his property.

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

2nd October, 1903.

No. 589.—Petition of PATRICK HAGGARTY, of Kimbolton.

PETITIONER prays that he may receive a land-grant for past military services.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that this petition should be referred to the Lands Committee.

2nd October, 1903.

No. 649.—Petition of S. E. HUGHES, of Auckland.

PETITIONER prays that he may receive a title to certain lands.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that this petition should be referred to the Lands Committee.

2nd October, 1903.

No. 274.—Petition of PETER JENNINGS, of Auckland.

PETITIONER prays that compensation may be granted him on account of loss of land taken by Government.

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

2nd October, 1903.

No. 352.—Petition of JAMES ADAM and 1,779 Others, of Tokomairiro.

PETITIONERS pray that the Bruce local-option poll may be validated.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition, together with the evidence of Rev. P. B. Fraser, should be referred to the Government for consideration.

9th October, 1903.

Nos. 275, 365, 364, and 525.—Petitions of A. M. AITKEN and 77 Others, ANNIE GORDON and 59 Others, G. M. AITKEN and 71 Others, and GRACE FOX and 405 Others, of Dunedin.

PETITIONERS pray that civil and political disabilities be removed from women.

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

9th October, 1903.

No. 14.—Petition of JAMES BEATTIE and 19 Others, of Gore (together with 17 other similar Petitions, as per attached Schedule).

PETITIONERS pray that provision be made for the construction of the Gore-Waikaka Railway.

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

9th October, 1903.

SCHEDULE.

No. 346.—A. Matheson and 6 others.
 " 347.—E. Moar and 19 others.
 " 353.—A. J. Cruickshank and 5 others.
 " 410.—M. Kirkpatrick and 4 others.
 " 464.—J. O'Brien and 15 others.
 " 495.—D. Lamb and 19 others.
 " 496.—W. Matherson and 19 others.
 " 526.—J. W. Lamb and 9 others.
 " 639.—F. Milne and 19 others.

No. 640.—J. Robertson and 19 others.
 " 646.—J. G. McCarthy and 7 others.
 " 647.—M. McLay and 14 others.
 " 659.—J. Pullar and 19 others.
 " 660.—W. McGill and 7 others.
 " 661.—R. Mitchell and 17 others.
 " 669.—J. Watt and 16 others.
 " 698.—D. McIntyre and 14 others.

No. 259.—Petition of WILLIAM DICKIE, of Rotherham.

PETITIONER prays that a compassionate allowance be granted him for loss sustained by flood.

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

9th October, 1903.

No. 34.—Petition of GEORGE FOWLDS and 127 Others, of Auckland.

PETITIONERS pray that the Morgan system of timber-measurement be introduced into our public-school syllabus.

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

9th October, 1903.

No. 353.—Petition of KATHERINE J. GRANT and 1,206 Others, of Milton.

PETITIONERS pray that the licenses existing in the Licensing District of Bruce shall remain in force till another poll be taken.

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

9th October, 1903.