## 1909. NEW ZEALAND.

## PUBLIC PETITIONS M TO Z COMMITTEE, 1899

(REPORT OF), ON THE PETITION OF WILLIAM JAMES RAVEN AND OTHERS RELATIVE TO THE BESTOWAL OF THE NEW ZEALAND CROSS ON H. C. W. WRIGG; TOGETHER WITH MINUTES OF EVIDENCE AND EXHIBITS.

Report brought up on the 8th August, 1899 (but not then ordered to lie on the Table). Report and Evidence laid upon the Table 21st October, 1909, and ordered to be printed.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 18th September, 1908.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House the report of, and the evidence taken before, the Public Petitions M to Z Committee in the matter of H. C. W. Wrigg."—(Mr. WOOD.)

## REPORT.

No. 209 (1898).—Petition of WILLIAM JAMES RAVEN and 5 Others.

Petitioners pray that a thorough investigation may be made into the circumstances in connection with the bestowal of the New Zealand Cross on Mr. H. C. W. Wrigg.

I am directed to report that, from the evidence adduced, the Committee is of opinion that Mr. H. C. W. Wrigg was not entitled to the New Zealand Cross.

R. MEREDITH, Chairman.

8th August, 1899.