

No. 360.—Petition of HENRY BUSSEY, of Ellerslie, Auckland.

PRAYING that his services in the Armed Constabulary Force be recognized with regard to superannuation.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make on this petition.
31st October, 1912.

No. 333.—Petition of ALBERT CROSS, of Dunedin.

PRAYING for an inquiry into the reason of his services having been dispensed with from the Public Works Department, and adequate compensation.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make on this petition.
31st October, 1912.

No. 348.—Petition of GEORGE F. DICKESON and 151 Others, of Kaikohe.

PRAYING that the construction of the North Auckland Main Trunk Railway between Kaikohe and McCarroll's Gap should be put in hand as early as possible.

I am directed to report that, as the subject-matter of this petition is a question of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

31st October, 1912.

No. 368.—Petition of ROBERT DICKIE and Another, of Timaru.

PRAYING that the existing racing regulations should not be altered.

I am directed to report that, as the question involved is a matter of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

31st October, 1912.

No. 374.—Petition of R. E. DUNN and 524 Others, of Timaru.

PRAYING for the immediate release of Waihi miners in gaol.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make on this petition.
31st October, 1912.

No. 347.—Petition of FEATHERSTON TOWN BOARD; and No. 302.—Petition of A. HENDERSON and 803 Others.

PRAYING for the construction of a deviation of the Rimutaka Railway to a route *via* Wainui-o-mata and Wairongomai, with tunnels through the dividing-ranges.

I am directed to report that, as the subject-matter of this petition is a question of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

31st October, 1912.

No. 328.—Petition of R. G. GUTHRIE and 136 Others, of Belfast.

PRAYING for an amendment of the Counties Act to provide for rating of drainage-areas on valuation or acreage basis with classification.

I am directed to report that, as the subject-matter of this petition has been treated in a Bill passed by the House, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

31st October, 1912.

No. 359.—Petition of PETER A. LEVIN, of Wellington.

PRAYING for a compassionate allowance on account of loss of superannuation benefits through breaks in his public service (of over thirty years).

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

31st October, 1912.

No. 335.—Petition of JOSEPH LOUNDES and 2 Others, of Ponsonby, Auckland.

PRAYING for an inquiry into the conduct of an Inspector of Fisheries.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make on this petition.
31st October, 1912.

No. 387.—Petition of CAMPBELL, EHRENFRIED, AND CO. (LIMITED); and No. 388.—the GREAT NORTHERN BREWERY COMPANY (LIMITED), of Auckland.

PRAYING for a refund of duty charged by the Customs Department on iron tanks.

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

5th November, 1912.