

No. 366.—Petition of JANIE CATHCART MAIR.

PRAYING for recognition of the services rendered to the Dominion by her late husband, Major William Gilbert Mair, during the Maori war, and later as a Judge of Native Land and Appellate Courts.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the petition should be referred to the Government for inquiry, and, if necessary, something should be done for the petitioner.

4th November, 1912.

FINAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Public Petitions M to Z Committee has held twenty-five meetings during Session II, 1912; and the business dealt with was as follows:—

Number of petitions referred to the Committee	91
Number of petitions dealt with	89
Number of petitions held over (not having been returned from the Department to which they were referred for report)	2
Number of petitions reports presented to the House	78
Number of specific recommendations therein	4
Number referred for favourable consideration	21
Number referred for consideration	14
Number referred for inquiry	6
Number referred to other Committees	5
Number with no recommendation	39

4th November, 1912.

SPECIAL REPORT (*re* Chairman).

I AM directed to report that the Committee desires to record its hearty appreciation of the great care and attention devoted by the Chairman, Mr. Okey, to the business of the Committee, and of the able and courteous manner in which his duties have been carried out this session of Parliament; and that this resolution be recorded in the minutes of the Committee and be reported to the House.

4th November, 1912.

SPECIAL REPORT (*re* Clerk).

I AM directed to report that this Committee desires to place on record its sense of appreciation of the efficient services rendered by Mr. Cohen, clerk to the Committee. His aptitude to business, his punctual attention to his business, and his uniform courtesy command the respect of the Committee. They have therefore much pleasure in recommending him to the Government for favourable consideration for permanent employment, and that this resolution be reported to the House.

4th November, 1912.

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