Session II. 1912. NEW ZEALAND.

NATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

REPORT ON PETITION OF OTENE PAORA AND THIRTEEN OTHERS (No. 23, SESSION II, 1912); TOGETHER WITH MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AND EVIDENCE.

(Mr. YOUNG, CHAIRMAN.)

Report brought up on the 27th September, 1912, and ordered to be printed.

ORDER OF REFERENCE.

Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives. FRIDAY, THE 2ND DAY OF AUGUST, 1912.

Ordered, "That Standing Order No. 219 be suspended, and that a Native Affairs Committee be appointed consisting of fourteen members, to consider all petitions, reports, returns, and other documents relating to affairs especially affecting the Native race that may be brought before the House this session, and from time to time to report thereon to the House; with power to call for persons and papers; three to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. Bell, Hon. Sir J. Carroll, Mr. MacDonald, Mr. Mander, Hon. Mr. Ngata, Mr. Parata, Hon. Dr. Pomare, Mr. Reed, Mr. Seddon, Mr. F. H. Smith, Dr. Te Rangihiroa, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Young, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. Herries.)

REPORT.

I AM directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for inquiry, and the evidence taken thereon laid upon the table of the House.

27th September, 1912.

J. A. YOUNG, Chairman.