## Session II. 1912. NEW ZEALAND.

## LANDS COMMITTEE

(REPORT OF) ON PETITION No. 115, SESSION II, A. R. WALLIS AND OTHERS; TOGETHER WITH MINUTES OF EVIDENCE AND APPENDIX.

(MR. E. NEWMAN, CHAIRMAN.)

Report brought up on the 31st October, and ordered to be printed.

## ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

Wednesday, the 3rd Day of July, 1912.

Ordered, "That Standing Order No. 219 be suspended, and that a Committee be appointed, consisting of eleven members, to whom shall stand referred after the first reading all Bills affecting or in any way relating to the lands of the Crown, or educational or other public reserves; the Committee to have power to make such amendments therein as they think proper, and to report generally when necessary upon the principles and provisions of the Bill; the Committee to have power to call for persons, papers, and records; three to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. Anderson, Hon. Mr. Buddo, Mr. Forbes, Mr. Guthrie, Mr. Lang, Mr. E. Newman, Mr. Nosworthy, Mr. T. W. Rhodes, Mr. R. W. Smith, Mr. Witty, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. T. MACKENZIE.)

Tuesday, the 13th Day of August, 1912.

Ordered, "That the names of Mr. Coates, Mr. MacDonald, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Statham, and the mover be added to the Lands Committee, and that the name of Mr. Lang be omitted."—(Hon. Mr. Massey.)

## REPORT.

Report on the petition (No. 115) of A. R. Wallis and Others, of Southland, praying for an inquiry into certain sawmill-areas in Southland, and that the law be amended to allow for an appeal to the Supreme Court as to the validity of the titles thereto.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government with a recommendation that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

EDWARD NEWMAN, Chairman.

31st October, 1912.