

No. 45.—Petition of ARTHUR JOHN DOCKERY, of Island Bay, Wellington. (Second Report.)

PRAYING for redress on account of injuries received through being shot during the "strike" riot in Taranaki Street on the 3rd November, 1913.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that the evidence in this case shows : (1) That the petitioner was shot in the shoulder during a street riot on the 3rd November, 1913 ; (2) there is no evidence to show by whom the shot was fired ; (3) the Committee recommends that the petitioner be paid all medical costs, expenses, and personal loss incurred owing to the injury.

8th October, 1914.

No. 20.—Petition of WILLIAM SMITH DRYDEN, of Waiouru.

PRAYING for compensation for injuries alleged to have been received whilst employed as a ganger on the Main Trunk line.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make on this petition.

8th October, 1914.

No. 66.—Petition of JAMES WILLIAM DURIE, of Wanganui.

PRAYING for compensation for military services rendered.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee this petition should be referred to the Government for special consideration, on account of the dangerous nature of the meritorious services rendered by petitioner.

8th October, 1914.

No. 411.—Petition of HARWOOD WALTER HESLOP, of Sumner, Christchurch.

PRAYING for a refund of a fine incurred through a breach of the Stamp Duty Act.

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

8th October, 1914.

No. 393.—Petition of Major J. T. LARGE, of the Cook Islands.

PRAYING for compensation for injury sustained while in the service of the Cook Islands Administration.

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

8th October, 1914.

No. 387.—Petition of FREDERICK W. BEZAR, of Wellington.

PRAYING that a sum of money be placed on the estimates to compensate him for loss sustained by destruction of furniture during the "strike" riot.

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

22nd October, 1914.

No. 484.—Petition of STEPHEN COFFEY, of Wellington.

PRAYING for allowance in lieu of extended leave of absence on his retirement from the Public Service.

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

22nd October, 1914.

No. 472.—Petition of C. C. DYSART and 21 Others, of Whananaki.

PRAYING for a refund of costs of defending a charge of holding an illegal race meeting.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make on this petition.

22nd October, 1914.

No. 413.—Petition of JOHN EARL, of Wellington.

PRAYING for compensation or light employment through being disabled whilst serving on H.M.S. "Challenger."

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

22nd October, 1914.

No. 99.—Petition of L. ELSALL and 1,214 Others; and No. 100.—Petition of W. LAMBIE and 47 Others of Southland.

PRAYING for permission to build a railway from Wairio to Ohai, and asking the Government to adopt the scheme.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee these petitions should be referred to the Government for consideration. (*Vide* Appendix I.—1A.)

22nd October, 1914.