No. 81.—Petition of J. L. Peffers.

Praying for compensation of £100 in respect of improvements effected whilst in wrongful occupation of land, situated in Wairoa Survey District (Sections 57B, 58B, 59B, and 63B), allotted him in error.

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

9th December, 1918.

No.: 27.—Petition of M. Shandley.

Praying for a revaluation of buildings on Section 30 of the Ballachraggan Settlement.

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

9th December, 1918.

LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.

The Lands Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed.

9th December, 1918.

Auckland Harbour Board, Devonport Borough Council, and Devonport Domain Board Empowering Bill.

THE Lands Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed as amended by the Local Bills Committee.

9th December, 1918.

No. 2.—Petition of DAVID WATERS.

Praying for a refund of the value of 4 acres of land in the Southland Land District (Section 4, Block 16, Oteramika Hundred), on the ground of inaccuracy in certificate of title issued by Land Transfer Office, Invercargill.

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

9th December, 1918.

No. 41.—Petition of the Whangarei Hospital and Charitable Aid Board, and five similar Petitions (as per Schedule attached).

Praying that the Government authorize and, when circumstances permit, undertake the drainage of the Hikurangi Swamp.

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

9th December, 1918.

SCHEDULE.

No. 37—A. R. Crane and 38 others. No. 38.—Whangarei Borough Council.

No. 39.—Whangarei County Council.

No. 40.—Whangarei Chamber of Commerce.

No. 42.—Hikurangi Town Board.

RESERVES AND OTHER LANDS DISPOSAL AND PUBLIC BODIES EMPOWERING BILL.

The Lands Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

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