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No. 47.—Petition of C. R. CHOLMONDELEY-SMITH, of Oneroa.

Praying that he may receive the military medals for service in the Maori War.

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

24th September, 1919.

No. 45.—Petition of W. H. CLARKE and 21 Others, of Auckland.

Praying that they receive the full military pension together with the old-age pension.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the Government should be requested to legislate so that military pensioners should be allowed to receive the additional benefit of the old-age pension.

24th September, 1919.

No. 1 of 1918.—Petition of F. G. DALZIELL, of Wellington.

Praying that legislation be enacted so that the natural resources of the Dominion could be thoroughly developed.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of the opinion this petition should be referred to the Industries Committee.

24th September, 1919.

No. 108.—Petition of Elsie Mary Hill, of Christehurch.

Praying that the payment of £100 gift duty on the sum of £2,000, personally supplemented by the Hon. W. F. Wigram to an equal sum, for which a trust was formed for her benefit and the benefit of her children, be refunded.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion this petition should be recommended to the Government for favourable consideration, and that the prayer of the petitioner be granted. 24th September, 1919.

No. 12 of Session II, 1918.—Petition of Patrick Conrick, of Porirua.

Praying that he be compensated for alleged wrongful arrest in connection with his being called up for military service, and that he be refunded his travelling-expenses.

1 am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make with regard to this petition.

6th October, 1919.

No. 485 of 1917.—Petition of John Jamison, sen., of Dunedin.

Praying that an inquiry be made into certain correspondence with the Soldiers' Financial Assistance Board.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 6th October, 1919.

No. 104 of Session II, 1918.—Petition of Leyland-O'Brien Company (Limited), of Auckland. Praying for compensation for loss sustained through the seizure of their vessel by the escaped German prisoners.

I am directed to report that the Committee is strongly of opinion that the Government should grant reasonable compensation to the petitioners.

6th October, 1919.

No. 280.—Petition of W. J. ALEXANDER, of Auckland.

Praying for compensation for losses sustained by the refusal by the Administrator for permission to land at Samoa.

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

15th October, 1919.

No. 122 of Session II, 1918.—Petition of Philip Bailey, of Dannevirke.

Praying that he may be granted adequate compensation for injuries received during an alleged illegal assault committed by a returned soldier named Sergeant White.

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

15th October, 1919.