

Nos. 64, 65, and 66 of Session II, 1918.—Petitions of M. L. BAMBERY, I. M. P. BURKE, and M. E. BURKE, all of Ravensbourne.

PRAYING for compassionate allowance for injuries sustained through the alleged negligence of the Defence authorities in allowing one Onslow Mayhew to retain the use of firearms.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the Defence Department is in no way to blame, but, in view of the distressing circumstances, it recommends the several petitions to the favourable consideration of the Government.

15th October, 1919.

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No. 116 of Session II, 1918.—Petition of W. H. BRIERLY and 9 Others, of Auckland.

PRAYING that the Mount Eden Quarry Reserve should not be leased to any public or private body for purposes of quarrying or stone-crushing.

I am directed to report that this petition should be referred to the Government for inquiry, the Committee being of opinion that a renewal of the lease to the Auckland City Council should not be granted.

15th October, 1919.

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No. 13 of Session I, 1918.—Petition of V. C. BUCHANAN, of Christchurch.

PRAYING that an inquiry be held into the circumstances surrounding his being called up for service in the New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

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

15th October, 1919.

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No. 113 of Session II, 1918.—Petition of W. H. CLARKE, of Auckland.

PRAYING that he may be heard at the bar of the House in reference to his scheme of land-settlement for soldiers.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petition to the Government for consideration.

15th October, 1919.

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No. 46.—Petition of W. H. CLARKE, of Auckland.

PRAYING for a compassionate allowance on account of deductions from his old-age pension.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that the request of the petitioner for one month's pension should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

15th October, 1919.

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No. 474 of 1917.—Petition of H. A. M. COSSMAN and 7,000 Others, of Wanganui.

PRAYING that all enemy aliens be interned.

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

15th October, 1919.

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No. 88 of Session II, 1918.—Petition of HUSTON CURLETT, of Christchurch.

PRAYING for compensation for alleged wrongful detention in a mental hospital.

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

15th October, 1919.

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No. 487 of 1917.—Petition of W. A. D'ORIDANT, of Oamaru.

PRAYING that he may be granted compensation for the loss of his fishing-launch by the foreclosure of a mortgage.

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

15th October, 1919.

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No. 1.—Petition of PATRICK LUNDON, of Wellington.

PRAYING that he be granted the amount of money to which he claims he is entitled for overtime worked in the Internal Affairs Department.

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

15th October, 1919.

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No. 277.—Petition of B. B. WALTON and Others, of North Otago.

PRAYING for assistance to the surviving victims of the Gemmell's Crossing tragedy.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the Defence Department is in no way to blame, but, in view of the distressing circumstances, it recommends this petition to the favourable consideration of the Government.

15th October, 1919.