

No. 261.—Petition of Mrs. HARRIET SIMEON, of Epsom, Auckland.

THAT she be granted the difference between the New Zealand and Imperial rates of gratuity for services on the nursing staff during the war.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion this petition should be referred to the Government to favourably consider the granting of a compassionate allowance.

4th October, 1922.

No. 94.—Petition of F. BURTON MABIN, of Wellington.

PRAYING for reinstatement in the Civil Service in a position equivalent to that he had before enlisting for active service, or for adequate compensation for loss of employment.

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

5th October, 1922.

No. 153.—Petition of WILLIAM WEST and Another, of Wellington.

FOR a compassionate allowance to cover expenses incidental to death of their son, Victor West, a returned soldier.

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

13th October, 1922.

No. 309.—Petition of HECTOR STEELE, of Mamaku.

FOR payment of difference in pay between Imperial and New Zealand rates.

I am directed to report that, as this petition refers to a matter of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

13th October, 1922.

No. 212.—Petition of WILLIAM JAMES ALEXANDER, of Auckland.

PETITIONER alleges that he has been wrongfully debarred from returning to Samoa, and prays for compensation and permission to return.

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

13th October, 1922.

No. 170.—Petition of ERNEST ARTHUR DOWNES, of Matakura.

PRAYING for a compassionate allowance or a pension in recognition of disabilities caused through his military duties during the war.

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

13th October, 1922.

No. 349.—Petition of Captain WILLIAM THOMAS BECK, D.S.O., of Auckland.

HAVING been retrenched from the Defence Department, he prays for adequate compensation for loss of employment.

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

13th October, 1922.

No. 110.—Petition of CHARLES and MARGARET EDWARDS, of Wellington.

FOR compensation equivalent to the pension their son E. E. Edwards, should have received from the date of his discharge to date of his death; also that all reference to his alleged malingering shall be removed from the records.

I am directed to report that the Committee finds there is nothing on the records to the effect that the petitioners' son was a malingerer or that he knowingly deceived the authorities; it therefore recommends that this petition be referred to the Government to favourably consider the granting of a compassionate allowance.

13th October, 1922.