No. 91.—Petition of W. A. WATERS, of Wellington.

Praying for a grant of increments of pay alleged to have been withheld whilst petitioner was employed in 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.

3rd August, 1923.

No. 87.—Petition of E. C. McCormack, of Ohauia, Tauranga.

Praying for inquiry into his circumstances as affected by the Waimangu eruption.

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

3rd August, 1923.

No. 44.—Petition of J. G. ROBERTSON, of Grey Lynn, Auckland, and 148 Others.

Praying that a totalizator permit be sanctioned for a trotting meeting which would be held annually in June.

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

7th August, 1923.

No. 49.—Petition of J. McGill, of Sedgemere, and 649 Others.

Praying for the grant of a totalizator license to Ellesmere County Trotting Club.

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

7th August, 1923.

No. 52.—Petition of Harriet Simeon, of Auckland.

Praying that she be granted the difference between the New Zealand and Imperial rates of war gratuity, as a recognition of her services as a nurse during the Great War.

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

8th August, 1923.

No. 83.—Petition of C. W. Swainson, of Otorohanga, and 25 Others.

Praying that their lands be exempted from the rating-area controlled by the Te Awamutu-Putaruru Railway Board.

I am directed to report that, as the Te Awamutu-Putaruru Railway Board has passed a resolution requesting the abolition of the Board, and that legislation is proposed to enable this to be given effect to, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

8th August, 1923.

No. 79.—Petition of Oswald Schulze, of Auckland, and 75 Others.

Praying for an amendment of the Municipal Corporations Act to enable tenant householders to vote at the municipal loan polls.

I am directed to report that, as a question of policy is involved, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

8th August, 1923.

No. 113.—Petition of H. L. Worthington, of Wellington.

Praying that his claim against the Crown be referred to arbitration.

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

14th August, 1923.