## 1926. NEW ZEALAND.

# INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE).

(MR. HARRIS, CHAIRMAN.)

Presented to the House of Representatives, and ordered to be printed.

## ORDER OF REFERENCE.

Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

THURSDAY, THE 1ST DAY OF JULY, 1926.

Ordered, "That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to deal with all matters in connection with industries and commerce; with power to call for persons, papers and records; three to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. Atmore, Mr. Bartram, Mr. Forsyth, Mr. Harris, Mr. H. Holland, Mr. Macmillan, Mr. Sidey, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Waite, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. McLeod.)

## REPORTS.

No. 59.—Petition of A. Brokenshire, of Otahuhu, and 129 Others; No. 60, Petition of L. Shearman, of Heathcote Valley, and 153 Others; No. 72, Petition of V. VITETTA, of Nelson, and 65 Others. Praying for a restriction on the importation of tomatoes.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the question of providing reasonable protection for the New Zealand growers of tomatoes during the months of November and December should be referred to the Government for consideration.

13th August, 1926.

## No. 79.—Petition of A. A. Corban, of Henderson.

PRAYING for the improvement of the grape-growing and winemaking industry.

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

20th August, 1926.

No. 104.—Petition of M. J. Perkinson, of Waihino, Waihi, and 23 Others (and 117 similar Petitions, as per Schedule hereunder).

Praying for greater protection for the sawmilling industry.

I am directed to report that the Committee, while not having sufficient evidence before it to justify recommending additional duties being placed upon imported timbers which are at present dutiable, is of opinion that timbers, other than hardwoods, which now come in free, should be charged a duty at least on the same level as Douglas fir. The Committee also recommends that, with a view to protecting the consumer, any increase in prices above those charged by the millers in November,

1925, be set off by an equivalent reduction in the tariff. Finally, in the opinion of the Committee the petitions should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

26th August, 1926.

No. 105.—Martin, A. J., and 54 others.
No. 106.—Hobbs, G., and 1,540 others.
No. 107.—Broadbelt, E. F., and 19 others.
No. 108.—Farley, F. G., and 26 others.
No. 109.—Mooney, M. M., and 8 others.
No. 110.—Duff, E., and 30 others
No. 111.—Henry, D., and 6 others
No. 112.—Lloyd, A. J., and 28 others.
No. 113.—Eastwood, F., and 14 others.
No. 114.—Molloy, G. F., and 42 others.
No. 115.—Parkinson, E., and 30 others.
No. 116.—McCulloch, J. F., and 121 others.
No. 117.—Fletcher, G., and 135 others.
No. 118.—Toyer, A. E., and 9 others.
No. 119.—Alexander, G., and 35 others.
No. 120.—Addison, A. L., and 57 others.
No. 121.—Griffiths, G. E., and 32 others.
No. 123.—Jensen, H. A., and 95 others.
No. 123.—Jensen, H. A., and 95 others. No. 168.—Kennedy, C., and 6 others.
No. 169.—Christie, J., and 8 others.
No. 170.—Davies, F. O., and 114 others.
No. 171.—Bell, C., and 7 others.
No. 172.—Harris, A. E., and 13 others.
No. 173.—Johnston, C., and 9 others.
No. 174.—Craven, F., and 25 others.
No. 176.—Blair, G., and 14 others.
No. 176.—Blair, G., and 13 others.
No. 177.—Chinn, A., and 13 others.
No. 178.—Booney, J. J. and 15 others. No. 176.—Blair, G., and 14 others.
No. 177.—Chinn, A., and 13 others.
No. 178.—Rooney, J. J., and 15 others.
No. 180.—Reedy, J., and 23 others.
No. 181.—Johnston, L. J., and 14 others.
No. 182.—Saunders, R. N., and 12 others.
No. 183.—Lowe, W., and 35 others.
No. 184.—Hynes, B., and 86 others.
No. 185.—Jack, G., and 47 others.
No. 186.—Brooks, Zaulbert, and 17 others.
No. 187.—Farrell, T. A., and 49 others.
No. 189.—Barltrop, L. H., and 50 others.
No. 190.—Agnew, W., and 7 others.
No. 191.—Whitehead, S., and 58 others.
No. 193.—Hocking, G. E., and 14 others.
No. 194.—Erickson, G. M., and 18 others.
No. 195.—Louden, G., and 20 others.
No. 195.—Louden, G., and 20 others.
No. 196.—Stratford, E., and 10 others.
No. 197.—Sinclair, H., and 10 others. No. 123.-Jensen, H. A., and 95 others. No. 125.—Jensen, H. A., and 99 others.
No. 124.—Keogan, J., and 111 others.
No. 125.—Knowles, J., and 99 others.
No. 126.—Wackrow, W. H., and 70 others.
No. 127.—Kelfoyle, A., and 45 others.
No. 128.—Flavell, J. H., and 177 others.
No. 129.—Woodgate, C. H., and 78 others.
No. 130.—Dodd, W., and 21 others. No. 130.—Dodd, W., and 21 others.
No. 131.—Butler, C., and 40 others.
No. 132.—Inglis, T., and 40 others.
No. 133.—Faucett, A., and 6 others.
No. 134.—Turrall, G. A., and 60 others.
No. 135.—Dowling, M., and 262 others.
No. 136.—Fugle, W. W., and 40 others.
No. 137.—Hillier, G., and 12 others.
No. 138.—Melder, E., and 33 others.
No. 139.—McSweeny, J. and 13 others. -Sinclair, H., and 10 others.
-Cullam, D., and 7 others.
-Williams, W. H., and 68 others.
-Taylor, C., and 30 others.
-Jacobs, A., and 27 others. No. 197.-No. 198.-No. 199.-No. 200.-No. 200.—Taylor, C., and 30 others.
No. 201.—Jacobs, A., and 27 others.
No. 202.—Thomas, A., and 20 others.
No. 203.—Ripsen, T., and 22 others.
No. 204.—Steel, W. M., and 55 others.
No. 205.—Gaulter, W. H., and 89 others.
No. 206.—Pinhallurich, C., and 75 others.
No. 207.—McDermied, W., and 16 others.
No. 208.—Dennellan, P., and 8 others.
No. 209.—Bates, J. R., and 7 others.
No. 210.—Burrell, W. H., and 22 others.
No. 214.—Drewe, H. F., and 21 others.
No. 215.—Poole, A., and 41 others.
No. 216.—Hardy, R. M., and 97 others.
No. 217.—Roche, J. B., and 19 others.
No. 218.—Hawkins, W. N., and 70 others.
No. 229.—Collett, A. W., and 20 others.
No. 224.—Findlay, B. M., and 19 others.
No. 228.—Corbett, C., and 26 others.
No. 230.—Knapp, F., and 5 others.
No. 231.—Chant, W. F., and 4 others.
No. 232.—Hill, H., and 7 others.
No. 233.—Stone, A. G., and 3 others.
No. 234.—Walker, C., and 2 others.
No. 246.—Langwell, H., and 266 others. No. 201.-No. 139.—McSweeny, J., and 13 others. No. 140.—McLean, D. A., and 26 others. No. 141.—Achson, W. G., and 16 others. No. 141.—Achson, W. G., and 16 others. No. 142.—Parkes, H., and 441 others. No. 143.—Melvin, C. D., and 137 others. No. 144.—Cleaver, R., and 11 others. No. 145.—Hodges, W., and 39 others. No. 146.—Grimmer, H. R., and 37 others. No. 148.—Bridgland, J., and 111 others. No. 149.—Moores, A. E., and 31 others. No. 150.—Halliday, A. W., and 90 others. No. 150.—Baigent, L. J., and 15 others. No. 156.—Holmes, A. R., and 81 others. No. 156.—Holmes, A. R., and 81 others. No. 157.—Bisman, Charles, and 54 others. No. 158.—Fazackerley, A., and 7 others. No. 158.—Fazackerley, A., and 7 others.
No. 159.—Auld, C. A., and 18 others.
No. 160.—Bronisch, G., and 48 others.
No. 161.—Peterson, B. L., and 18 others. No. 161.—Petterson, B. L., and 18 others. No. 162.—Fitzgerald, A. R., and 6 others. No. 163.—Renwick, H., and 11 others. No. 164.—Cockerill, H. W., and 5 others. No. 165.—Hay, B., and 7 others. No. 166.—Dunn, J. J., and 22 others. No. 167.—King, J. C., and 7 others.

### SPECIAL REPORT.

I have the honour to report that the Industries and Commerce Committee wishes to place on record its high appreciation of the ability and courtesy with which the Chairman, Mr. Harris, has presided over the business of the Committee during the session. It also desires that this resolution be recorded on the minutes of the Committee and be reported to the House.

7th September, 1926.

T. K. SIDEY,
A Member of the Committee.

### FINAL REPORT.

I have the honour to report that the Industries and Commerce Committee, consisting of ten members, has held twelve meetings with an average attendance of seven. Three matters of importance were referred to it by the Minister, and after hearing representative evidence the Committee duly made its recommendation to him. The Committee also dealt with 122 petitions, of which 118, with 6,751 signatures, related to the sawmilling industry. These latter were referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

The remainder were referred for consideration.

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