

No. 230.—Petition of A. E. RANKIN, of Wanganui, and 346 Others.

PRAYING for investigation into overseas contracts respecting the Port of Wanganui.

I am directed to report that, as the Dairy Control Board has by statute the sole power of making contracts with overseas shipping companies for the carriage of dairy produce overseas, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

25th October, 1930.

SPECIAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Industries and Commerce Committee desires to express its great appreciation of the tact, courtesy, and ability with which the Chairman, Mr. Munns, has presided over the business of the Committee during the session. It further desires that this resolution shall be recorded in the minutes of the Committee, and be reported to the House.

A. HARRIS,
A Member of the Committee.

25th October, 1930.

SPECIAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Industries and Commerce Committee wishes to express its high appreciation of the ability and courtesy shown by the Clerk, Mr. Fox, during the session. It also desires that this resolution shall be recorded on the minutes of the Committee, and be reported to the House.

25th October, 1930.

FINAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Industries and Commerce Committee, consisting of ten members, has held eighteen meetings during the session, with an average attendance of seven members. The main work of the Committee has centred in a lengthy inquiry into existing methods of marketing fresh fruit and vegetables. And its report, based on the evidence of many witnesses drawn from the ranks of growers, auctioneers, merchants, and retailers throughout the Dominion, was duly presented to the House. It is hoped that it may lead to marked improvement in conditions that for long have been most unsatisfactory. Three petitions were also considered and reported on.

G. C. MUNNS, Chairman.

25th October, 1930.

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