

1932-33.
NEW ZEALAND.

PUBLIC PETITIONS M TO Z COMMITTEE
(REPORTS OF THE).

(MR. F. LYE, CHAIRMAN.)

Laid on the Table of the House of Representatives.

ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

WEDNESDAY, THE 12TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1932.

Ordered, "That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all petitions from M to Z that may be referred to it; to classify and prepare abstracts of such petitions in such form and manner as shall appear to it best suited to convey to this House all requisite information respecting their contents, and to report the same from time to time to this House; and to have power to report its opinions and observations thereon to this House: the Committee to consist of the Rev. Mr. Carr, Mr. Hawke, Mr. Kyle, Mr. Linklater, Mr. Lye, Mr. J. N. Massey, Mr. McSkimming, Mr. Stallworthy, Mr. Semple, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. YOUNG.)

THURSDAY, THE 13TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1932.

Ordered, "That all petitions not finally dealt with during the session of 1931 be again referred to the same Committees as they were referred to during the said session, and that all petitions received during the first session of 1932 be dealt with as if they had been received this session."—(Right Hon. Mr. FORBES.)

FRIDAY, THE 11TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1932.

Ordered, "That all petitions referred to the Railways Committee during the session of 1931 and not finally dealt with during that session be referred to the appropriate Public Petitions Committee set up during the present session."—(Right Hon. Mr. FORBES.)

THURSDAY, THE 24TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1932.

Ordered, "That the report of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee on the petition of Rebecca MacRae be referred back to the Committee for further consideration."—(Mr. O'BRIEN.)

TUESDAY, THE 7TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1933.

Ordered, "That the Public Petitions M to Z Committee have leave to sit this day during the present sitting of the House."—(Mr. LYE.)

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No. 5, Sess. 1, 1932.—Petition of J. J. MEIKLE, of Auckland.

PRAYING that certain reports of Select Committees be given effect to.

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

16th November, 1932.

No. 50, Sess. 1, 1932.—Petition of WILLIAM McALLAN, of Dunedin.

PRAYING for a compassionate allowance in respect of alleged physical disablement.

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

16th November, 1932.

No. 423, Sess. 1, 1932.—Petition of RUBY E. WATSON, of Onetangi, Waiheke, and 52 others.

PRAYING that the proposed regulations of 1930 in regard to seine-net fishers be adopted.

I am directed to report that, as amending regulations have now been issued which will give effect to the prayer of the petition, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

16th November, 1932.

No. 68, Sess. 1, 1932.—Petition of F. E. WRIGHT, of Lower Hutt.

PRAYING for compensation for alleged loss owing to the construction of a ramp by the Public Works Department.

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

16th November, 1932.

No. 167, Sess. 1, 1932.—Petition of DUNCAN MUNRO, of Christchurch.

PRAYING for reinstatement in the New Zealand Railways or compensation in lieu thereof.

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

24th November, 1932.

No. 162, Sess. 2, 1931.—Petition of H. F. C. REID, of Auckland.

PRAYING for compensation for injuries received in the service of the Railways Department.

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

24th November, 1932.

No. 59, Sess. 1, 1932.—Petition of ARTHUR ROUGHAN, of Huntly, Waikato.

PRAYING for compassionate allowance for loss of health, alleged to have been contracted whilst employed in Railways Department.

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

24th November, 1932.

No. 51.—Petition of (Mrs.) E. M. WOODLEY, of Petone.

PRAYING for a compassionate allowance for loss of her husband.

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

24th November, 1932.

No. 413, Sess. 1, 1932.—Petition of REBECCA MACRAE, of Otira, Westland.

PRAYING for a compassionate allowance.

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

24th November, 1932.

(Referred back for further consideration 24th November, 1932.)

No. 18.—Petition of C. G. SCRIMGEOUR, of Auckland, and 11 Others, and Three Similar Petitions as per Schedule attached.

PRAYING for a share of the revenue collected by radio license fees, or, alternately, that approved B stations be permitted to broadcast an unlimited number of sponsored programmes.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that the alternative prayer of the petitioners, "that approved B stations be allowed to indicate in their announcements of an unlimited number of programmes the names, addresses, and products of the sponsor's programmes," be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

2nd December, 1932.

SCHEDULE.

No. 19.—C. G. Scrimgeour and 11 others.
No. 66.—C. G. Scrimgeour and 11 others.

No. 98.—C. G. Scrimgeour and 11 others.

No. 413, Sess. 1, 1932.—Petition of REBECCA MACRAE, of Otira. (Second Report.)

PRAYING for a compassionate allowance.

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

7th December, 1932.

No. 52.—Petition of MARY PILLING, of Auckland.

PRAYING for the enactment of legislation to enable her to reopen certain Court proceedings, or grant of other redress.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that the petition be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, and the Committee also desires to express the opinion that the Government should introduce the necessary legislation to enable the petitioner to obtain a retrial of the questions involved.

7th December, 1932.

No. 99.—Petition of SAMUEL TURKINGTON, of Auckland.

PRAYING for inquiry into alleged false representation made in legal documents.

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

7th December, 1932.

No. 121.—Petition of JOHN MILLER, of Wellington.

PRAYING for amendment of the law relating to land-agents.

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

8th February, 1933.

No. 100.—Petition of MARGARET MOTLEY and 3 Others, of Palmerston North.

PRAYING for removal of the ban placed on teacup-reading in tea-rooms.

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

8th February, 1933.

No. 113.—Petition of P. J. O'REGAN, of Wellington.

PRAYING for the introduction of legislation to provide that shipping companies in common with others responsible for the safety of life shall no longer be immune from the legal consequences of their own negligence.

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

8th February, 1933.

No. 112.—Petition of WAH LEE, of Auckland.

PRAYING for refund of Customs duty alleged to have been wrongly assessed by Customs Department.

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

14th February, 1933.

No. 223.—Petition of C. R. WILLCOCKS, of Little Akaloa.

PRAYING for investigation into his dismissal as Harbourmaster at Apia, and for compensation, or a permanent position in the Government Service.

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

28th February, 1933.

No. 228.—Petition of MARY MONCRIEFF, of Wellington.

PRAYING for inquiry into alleged non-delivery of money forwarded through the Post Office.

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

6th March, 1933.

No. 140.—Petition of W. J. TINSLEY, of Masterton.

PRAYING for compensation for loss arising out of alleged false imprisonment.

I am directed to report that the Committee has carefully considered this petition, and has no recommendation to make in respect of the petition's prayer, but the Committee is of the opinion that certain money, being the value of articles of clothing retained by the Crown and also the expenses he was put to in stopping witnesses appearing at the New Plymouth Supreme Court sittings, should be paid to the petitioner.

6th March, 1933.

SPECIAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Committee desires to record its hearty appreciation of the ability, care, and attention devoted by the Chairman, Mr. F. Lye, to the business of the Committee, and the courteous and tactful manner in which his duties have been carried out during the session; and further desires that this resolution shall be recorded in the minutes of the Committee, and be reported to the House.

6th March, 1933.

H. S. S. KYLE,
Member of Committee.

SPECIAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Committee desires to record its appreciation of the efficient manner in which the Clerk of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, Mr. R. A. Pringle, has carried out his duties during the session; and, further, that this resolution be recorded in the minutes of the Committee, and be reported to the House.

6th March, 1933.

F. LYE, Chairman.

FINAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Public Petitions M to Z Committee, consisting of ten members, held nine meetings during the session; the average attendance of members at each meeting was six.

The following table shows the disposal of the business which came before the Committee:—

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6th March, 1933.

F. LYE, Chairman.

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