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REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PETITIONS.

No. 1. JOSEPH BULL.

THE Committee have directed me to report that they see no grounds for inquiring into the prayer of the Petitioner, inasmuch as if he felt himself aggrieved by the award of the Government Printer the Courts of Law were open to him wherein to obtain redress. J. CRACROFT WILSON, C.B., 17th July, 1866. Chairman.

No. 2.

REVEREND SAMUEL BLACKBURN.

THE Committee have directed me to report that in their opinion the Government should instruct the Compensation Commissioner to admit this case upon his file, and to decide it upon its merits.

17th July, 1866.

No. 3.

CHARLES CAMERON.

THE Committee have directed me to report that they see no grounds for entering into the allegations of the Petitioner. J. CRACROFT WILSON, C.B., 17th July, 1866. Chairman.

No. 4.

DANIEL MCASKILL.

THE Committee have directed me to report that the prayer of the Petitioner is similar to that of Lachlan A. McCaskill and others, which were reported on by the Committee last Session, *vide* Journal of the House, 10th August, 1865; and that they are of opinion that the resolution of that Committee is applicable to the present case. J. CRACROFT WILSON, C.B., Chairman.

17th July, 1866.

No. 5.

DENIS BROWN COCHRANE.

THE Committee direct me to report that the Petitioner presented a petition of similar import to the House of Representatives in the year 1863, which was not referred to the Private Grievance Com-mittee: that *primå facie* the case appears to be of such a nature that it ought to be inquired into, but the Committee not having been vested by the House with the power of calling for persons and papers are precluded from so doing. The Committee also direct me to observe that the absence of the power above alluded to will preclude them from inquiring into the merits of any Petition which may, under the new Standing Orders, be ordered to lie on the table. J. CRACROFT WILSON, C.B., Chairman.

17th July, 1866. •

No. 6.

DANIEL MUNRO.

THE Committee direct me to report that the case of the Petitioner would appear at first sight to be deserving of the consideration of the Government, but that not having been empowered to call for persons and papers they are precluded from inquiring into the merits of the case.

17th July, 1866.

J. CRACROFT WILSON, C.B.,

Chairman.

No. 7. JOSEPH FARRALL.

THE Committee direct me to report that they see no grounds for entering into the allegations of the Petitioner. J. CRACROFT WILSON, C.B., 17th July, 1866.

Chairman.

J. CRACEOFT WILSON, C.B.,

Chairman.