

Nos. 73, 77, and 93.—Petitions from the Rodney County Council (No. 2), the Southland County Council (No. 2), and the Cook County Council.

THE Waste Lands Committee, to whom were referred the above petitions, praying that an elective element may be introduced into Waste Lands Boards so that each county may elect one representative on the Board of such land district, have directed me to report that, as they consider the subject-matter of these petitions to be a question of public policy, they have no report to make thereon.

5th July, 1881.

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No. 71.—Petition of JOHN KELLY and Others.

THE Waste Lands Committee, to whom was referred the above petition, praying that a piece of land may be set apart and granted as a site for a cemetery in the Manutahi North district, have directed me to report that this petition be referred to the Government, with a recommendation that its prayer may be given effect to out of such lands as may be available.

5th July, 1881.

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“EDUCATION RESERVES ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL, 1881.”

THE Waste Lands Committee, to whom was referred “The Education Reserves Act 1877 Amendment Act, 1881,” have directed me to report that they have gone through the Bill, and recommend that the same be passed with certain amendments, as shown in the attached copy

5th July, 1881.

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“WELLINGTON COLLEGE RESERVES CONFIRMATION BILL, 1881.”

THE Waste Lands Committee, to whom was referred the above Bill, have directed me to report that they have gone through the Bill, and recommend that the same be passed without amendment.

15th July, 1881.

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Nos. 104, 135, 147, 170.—Petitions from the Inangahua County Council (No. 2), the Tauranga County Council (No. 2), the Hobson County Council (No. 1), and the Kaikoura County Council (No. 2).

THE Waste Lands Committee, to whom were referred the above petitions, praying that an elective element may be introduced into Waste Land Boards, have directed me to report that, the subject-matter of these petitions being a question of public policy, they have no report to make thereon.

22nd July, 1881.

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Nos. 103, 134, 148, 169, and 185.—Petitions from the Inangahua County Council (No. 1), the Tauranga County Council (No. 1), the Hobson County Council (No. 2), the Kaikoura County Council (No. 1), and the Waimate County Council.

THE Waste Lands Committee, to whom were referred the above petitions, praying that counties may be placed on the same footing as municipalities as regards landed endowments, &c., have directed me to report that, the subject-matter of these petitions being a question of public policy, they have no report to make thereon.

22nd July, 1881.

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No. 42.—Petition of WILLIAM SEATON and Others.

THE Waste Lands Committee, to whom was referred the above petition, praying for a cessation, for a period of two or three years, of their regular six-monthly payments on land at Waverley, have directed me to report that they recommend petitioners to refer the matter to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington.

22nd July, 1881.

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No. 39.—Petition of JOHN LYNCH.

THE Waste Lands Committee, to whom was referred the above petition, praying for a grant of land in lieu of town acre given to the Provincial Government (during the Superintendency of Mr. T. B. Gillies), at Coromandel, have directed me to report that, from the evidence before the Committee, it is clear that petitioner's claim is unfounded.

22nd July, 1881.

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No. 150.—Petition of WILLIAM McLEOD.

THE Waste Lands Committee, to whom was referred the above petition, praying that promises made by the Government may be fulfilled, have directed me to report that the petitioner's case, having been already dealt with by the Legislature, cannot be reopened.

22nd July, 1881.

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No. 80.—Petition of JAMES COUTTS CRAWFORD.

THE Waste Lands Committee, to whom was referred the above petition, praying for a title to certain lands purchased from the Natives in 1839, have directed me to report that they recommend that the consideration of this petition be postponed till next session.

22nd July, 1881.