## 1885. NEW ZEALAND.

# PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE

(REPORT OF THE) ON THE PETITION OF THE HON. SIR JULIUS VOGEL, TOGETHER WITH THE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AND EVIDENCE.

Brought up on Saturday, 19th September, 1885, and ordered to be printed.

### REPORT.

The petitioner states that he was Agent-General of the colony, and that he was director of the New Zealand Agricultural Company, a position which he was requested to resign. That he was appointed Agent under the Inscribed Stock Act, and that he was to receive commission on the Five-million Loan, and that he was considered Agent under the new loan. That he has received no commission. That his appointment was cancelled, and no compensation allowed him. He prays for relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee have taken the evidence of the petitioner, Sir G. Grey, K.C.B., the Hon. Major Atkinson, the Hon. Sir F. Whitaker, K.C.M.G., and Sir W. Fitzherbert, K.C.M.G. They are, however, of opinion that, owing to the great importance of the questions involved and of the points raised, as well as the mass of correspondence and documentary evidence necessary to be examined and considered, it is impossible for the Committee, with the short time at their disposal, to attempt to arrive at a definite report during the present session of Parliament.

Minutes of the evidence taken are appended hereto.

19th September, 1885.

R. Turnbull, Chairman.

### MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

Tuesday, 4th August, 1855.

Present: Mr. Turnbull (Chairman), Mr. Allwright, Mr. J. C. Buckland, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Lance, Mr. Moat, Mr. Samuel, Mr. T. Thompson, Mr. J. W. Thomson, Mr. W. White.

The following petition was read and considered:—
No. 211.—From the Hon. Sir Julius Vogel, Wellington. For commission on raising loan and inscription of stock.

Sir Julius Vogel read a statement. Ordered to be printed.

Sir George Grey made an explanation.

Consideration adjourned.

#### FRIDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1855.

Present: Mr. Turnbull (Chairman), Mr. Allwright, Mr. J. C. Buckland, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Lance, Mr. Moat, Mr. Samuel, Mr. T. Thompson, Mr. J. W. Thomson, Hon. Mr. Tole, Mr. W. White.

The following petition was further considered:—

No. 211.—From the Hon. Sir Julius Vogel. Adjourned from the 4th ultimo.

Hon. Major Atkinson gave evidence.

Consideration adjourned.

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