

## No. 285.—Petition of GEORGE W. ELL, of Christchurch (No 2).

THE petitioner prays that an allowance may be made to him for maintenance pending inquiry into his case.

I am directed to report that the Committee cannot recommend the prayer of this petition.  
29th June, 1888.

## No. 196.—Petition of MARY STEADMAN ALDIS, of Auckland.

THE petitioner prays for repeal of the Contagious Diseases Act.

I am directed to report that the Committee, having considered this petition, and taken Sir George Grey's evidence thereon, has no recommendation to make.  
4th July, 1888.

## No. 271.—Petition of Major J. J. ATKINSON, of Dunedin.

THE petitioner prays for compensation or loss of his appointment as Musketry Instructor to the Dunedin Volunteer District.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make on the subject of this petition.  
4th July, 1888.

## No. 301.—Petition of C. FULTON and Others, of the Taieri (No. 1).

THE petitioners pray for such amendment of the Education Act as will provide for the daily reading of the Holy Scriptures in the State schools.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.  
4th July, 1888.

## Nos. 302 and 303.—Petitions of T. BRAY and Others, and C. FULTON and Others (No. 2).

THE petitioners pray for the repeal of the Contagious Diseases Act.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make on the subject of these petitions.  
4th July, 1888.

## No. 306.—Petition of Lieut.-Colonel C. DAWSON and other CHAIRMEN of ROAD BOARDS in the COUNTY of EDEN.

THE petitioners propose certain amendments in the Cemeteries Act 1882 Amendment Bill.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.  
4th July, 1888.

## No. 307.—Petition of W. ADAMS and Others, of Auckland.

THE petitioners pray for the repeal of the property-tax.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.  
4th July, 1888.

## No. 311.—Petition of a PUBLIC MEETING at DUNEDIN.

THE petitioners pray: Firstly, that all trains to and from Dunedin may stop at Pelichet Bay Station; secondly, that the station itself may be enlarged without encroaching on Albany Street.

I am directed to report that the Committee, having already reported in favour of the first prayer of this petition, has no further recommendation to make, but is of opinion that the second should be referred to the Government for consideration.  
4th July, 1888.

## Nos. 318 and 319.—Petitions of R. LINTON and Others, of Feilding, and R. DARROCK and Others, of Temuka.

THE petitioners pray for the abolition of the totalisator.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, these two petitions should be referred to the Government for consideration.  
4th July, 1888.

## No. 320.—Petition of J. H. CLARKE and Others, of Auckland.

THE petitioners pray for such amendment of "The Licensing Act, 1881," as may enable all persons qualified to vote at general elections to vote also at elections of Licensing Committees.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.  
4th July, 1888.

## No. 321.—Petition of WILLIAM BEE and Others, of Oamaru.

THE petitioner prays for the passing of the Shop Hours Bill.

I am directed to report that, as the Shop Hours Bill is now before the House, the Committee has no recommendation to make on the subject of this petition.  
4th July, 1888.