

## No. 70.—Petition of SAMUEL MORRISON, of Dunedin.

PETITIONER prays for compensation for loss of office as a gaol-warder.

I am directed to report that this Committee indorses the report of the Committee of last session—namely, that “The petitioner was properly dismissed from the service, and has no claim upon the colony.”

14th July, 1892.

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## No. 102.—Petition of JAMES SCOTT REID and Others, of Otago.

PETITIONERS pray in favour of Bible-reading in schools.

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

14th July, 1892.

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## No. 68.—Petition of PETER PAXTON, of Dunedin.

PETITIONER prays for compensation for loss of office as Defence Storekeeper, or for re-employment.

I am directed to report that, as it appears petitioner has received full compensation, the Committee is of opinion that he has no further claim.

14th July, 1892.

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Nos. 103, 49, and 50.—Petition of M. E. WOORTON and Others, of Dunedin, MARY McDONALD and Others (Report No. 2), and SIMON McDONALD and Others (Report No. 2).

PETITIONERS state that they signed a petition to the House in the belief that such petition prayed for the extension of the franchise to women; they now find they were mistaken, and that said petition was against woman's franchise.

I am directed to report that, so far as the Committee have been able to compare the petitions they find the allegations of the petitioners to be correct, inasmuch as similar signatures are found attached to both petitions.

14th July, 1892.

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## No. 36.—Petition of ELIZA P. McKNIGHT, of Christchurch.

PETITIONER prays for a compassionate allowance on account of her late husband's long services as bailiff of the Resident Magistrate's Court at Christchurch.

I am directed to report that, after full consideration of the circumstances set forth in the petition, the Committee is of opinion that the petitioner has no claim.

14th July, 1892.

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## No. 18.—Petition of DONALD McKINNON, of Puerua, Otago.

PETITIONER prays that licensed victuallers may be compensated for loss of license when such loss has not been caused by any misconduct on their own part.

I am directed to report that, as this question has already been dealt with by the House, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

14th July, 1892.

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## No. 94.—Petition of C. WHEATLEY and Others, of Wellington.

PETITIONERS pray against compensation being paid to licensed victuallers on non-renewal of license.

I am directed to report that, as this question has already been dealt with by the House, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

14th July, 1892.

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## No. 6.—Petition of GEORGE TIBBS, of Christchurch.

PETITIONER states that in March, 1887, he was convicted under “The Fisheries' Conservation Act, 1884,” of a breach of the regulations; that said breach consisted in selling a flounder less than 9in. in length; that he was fined £5 and costs (£2 10s.); that said small fish was in a case of fish bought by petitioner, and he was totally unaware that there was an undersized fish in the case. Petitioner prays for relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that the amount of the fine should be reduced to £1.

21st July, 1892.

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## No. 84.—Petition of SABINA METZENTHIN and Others, of Nelson.

PETITIONERS pray in favour of woman's franchise.

I am directed to report that, as this question has already been dealt with by the House, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

21st July, 1892.

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## No. 65.—Petition of NEIL MCGILL, now of Wellington, late of Dunedin.

PETITIONER states that in January, 1876, he was appointed night-watchman on the Port Chalmers railway; that he held that office for fifteen years, when he was discharged on account of advanced age; that he is now seventy-seven years old. He prays for consideration.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that a compassionate allowance of £50 be granted to the petitioner.

21st July, 1892.