No. 323.—Petition of W. T. Bowater and 7 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the Land Bill may be so amended as to allow four years to elapse before residence is compulsory, and also that they may be allowed to purchase their holdings after a term of years.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion this petition

should be referred to the Government for consideration.

26th August, 1892.

No. 310.—Petition of O. Lynch and 74 Others.

PETITIONERS, Roman Catholic residents of Hampden, County of Inangahua, pray for the grant of an acre of land in the said township for the purpose of erecting a church.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion this petition

should be referred to the Government for consideration.

26th August, 1892.

No. 169.—Petition of the Masterton Road Board.

PETITIONERS pray that a warrant may be issued for the purpose of taking a road through the Te-Weraiti Block, Masterton Road District.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to make the following recommendation: That, having heard all the evidence, this Committee, while of the opinion that the right of taking a road should not be waived, are satisfied the matter can be left with the Government to deal with as they consider best in the interests of the colony.

31st August, 1892.

No. 118.—Petition of HENRY McMurray.

Petitioner prays for compensation for land taken for railway purposes at Wangarei.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they have no recommendation to make with reference to this petition.

6th September, 1892.

No. 191.—Petition of Martin Krippner.

Petitioner states he was instrumental in forming a special settlement of Germans at Puhoi, Auckland, for which he has received no reward or remuneration. He prays relief.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they have no recommendation tomake with reference to the above petition.

6th September, 1892.

No. 424.—Petition of M. T. ERUETI and 71 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the Otago Heads Road District may not be amalgamated with the Portobello District; also that the Otago Heads Road District may be declared a separate riding of the Peninsula County.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion this petition

should be referred to the Government for consideration.

6th September, 1892.

No. 368.—Petition of J. C. Andrew.

PETITIONER prays that one Robert Curling may be exempted from residence on certain lands as the said Robert Curling has been long resident in England, and is now old and infirm.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

6th September, 1892.

No. 339.—Petition of Louis Bright.

Petitioner states that he has been compelled to pay stamp duty amounting to £330 on the purchase of a block of Native land, instead of £100, which latter amount he affirms is the legal charge. He prays relief.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion this petition

should be referred to the Government for consideration.

6th September, 1892.

No. 393.—Petition of the Blenheim Borough Council.

PETITIONERS pray that certain reserves adjacent to the Town of Blenheim may be set aside for the benefit and use of the borough.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

6th September, 1892.

No. 413.—Petition of T. Andrew and 129 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that Run No. 199, Roxburgh East, or a portion thereof, may be set aside as an endowment for the Roxburgh Athenaum.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

6th September, 1892.