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NEW ZEALAND.

PUBLIC PETITIONS A TO L COMMITTEE.

(REPORT ON THE PETITION (No. 368) OF JOHN TAMMADGE AND OTHERS.)

(MR. W. SYMES, CHAIRMAN.)

Brought up on 17th October, and ordered to be printed.

PETITION.

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives of New Zealand in Parliament assembled.

THE humble petition of the undersigned sheweth:—

1. That your petitioners are Europeans resident within the area known as the Rohe-Potae, or King-country;

2. That about fifteen years ago the said area was prohibited;

3. That in consequence of there being no hotels or licensed houses within the said district necessary accommodation cannot be obtained by the travelling public, whether European or Maori;

4. That the condition of things has so altered since the said district was prohibited, by the influx of Europeans, and which is increasing every day, both as settlers and otherwise, and the great difficulty of putting a stop to the illicit sale of liquor within the said prohibited district, that your petitioners believe it would be most beneficial to both the Maori people as well as to the Europeans resident and coming into the said district that licenses should be granted within the said prohibited area;

5. That the said prohibited area be placed in the same position as any other licensed district in New Zealand:

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that honourable members may take the premises into their consideration, and your petitioners will ever pray.

JOHN TAMMADGE, and 113 others,
of Te Kuiti.

REPORT.

No. 368.—Petition of JOHN TAMMADGE and Others, Te Kuiti.

PETITIONERS pray that the King-country be placed in the same position as regards the sale of liquor as any licensed district in New Zealand.

I am directed to report that, as the subject-matter of the petition involves a matter of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make, but that the report and evidence taken on the petition be laid on the table of the House, and be printed.

17th October, 1900.

WALTER SYMES, Chairman.