1901. NEW ZEALAND.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE:

REPORT ON THE COUNTIES BILL, TOGETHER WITH MINUTES OF EVIDENCE AND APPENDIX.

ORDER OF REFERENCE.

Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

WEDNESDAY, THE 24TH DAY OF JULY, 1901.

Ordered, "That Standing Order No. 211 be suspended, and that a Select Committee, consisting of thirty-six members, be appointed, to whom shall be referred the Counties Bill and certain other Bills or matters more particularly referring to local administration affected by the Bill; five to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. J. Allen, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bollard, Mr. Buddo, Mr. Carnoross, Mr. Colvin, Mr. Field, Mr. Flatman, Mr. Fowlds, Mr. A. L. D. Fraser, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Guinness, Mr. Hall, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Herries, Mr. Hogg, Mr. Hornsby, Mr. Houston, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lethbridge, Mr. Massey, Mr. MoGuire, Mr. T. Mackenzie, Mr. R. McKenzie, Mr. McLachlan, Mr. MoNab, Mr. Meredith, Mr. O'Meara, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Pirani, Mr. Rhodes, Captain Russell, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Symes, Mr. J. W. Thomson, and the Mover."—(Rt. Hon. R. J. SEDDON.)

R E P O R T.

THE Local Government Committee, to whom was referred the above-mentioned Bill, have the honour to report that they have passed the following resolutions, viz. :---

1. That this Committee proceed no further with the Counties Bill, and that this decision be reported to the House.

2. That the Bill as amended and the above resolution be reported this day.

22nd October, 1901.

ROBERT MCNAB, Chairman.