No. 666.—Petition of John Barr, of Wellington.

Petitioner prays that certain changes may be made in the duties on oils, &c.

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

4th November, 1903.

No. 831.—Petition of Charles W. Earle and Another, of Wellington.

Petitioners pray that greater liberty be given the Press by the repeal or amendment of Standing Order No. 229.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

4th November, 1903.

No. 565.—Petition of J. GIFFORD, of Kaihu.

Petitioner prays that he may receive redress for loss of land.

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

4th November, 1903.

No. 714.—Petition of A. J. LANGMUIR and 189 Others, of Ongarue.

Petitioners pray that the Stratford-Toko Railway be extended to Mangaroa.

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

4th November, 1903.

No. 638.—Petition of C. E. LETHAM, of Wellington.

Petitioner prays that she may receive further compassionate allowance.

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

4th November, 1903.

No. 702.—Petition of John Bilkey, of Pukekohe.

Petitioner prays that he may receive compensation for loss of trees.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the matter in question is one between the petitioner and the local body referred to; they have therefore no recommendation to make.

6th November, 1903.

Nos. 611 and 856.—Petitions of E. Burrows and 261 Others, of Auckland; and T. Julian and 84 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the present vaccination laws be repealed.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration, the Committee being of opinion that the present restriction providing that notice be given within a prescribed time should be rescinded.

6th November, 1903.

No. 860.—Petition of Annie Gage, of Wellington.

PETITIONER prays that further compassionate allowance be granted her for loss of her son.

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

6th November, 1903.

No. 777.—Petition of W. G. GARRARD, of Auckland.

PETITIONER prays that he may receive redress for certain grievances.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make upon this petition.

6th November, 1903.

No. 751.—Petition of J. J. G. Jackson, of Martinborough.

PETITIONER prays that he may be refunded the amount stolen from him.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the prayer of the petition should be given effect to, and that the Government be recommended to pay the balance of the amount stolen.

6th November, 1903.

No. 710.—Petition of WILLIAM LODDER, of Karangahake.

PETITIONER prays that he may receive some compassionate allowance or other relief.

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

6th November, 1903.

No. 581.—Petition of H. von Blaremberg, of Palmerston North.

PETITIONER prays that he may receive redress for damages sustained by loss of office.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make upon this petition, 13th November, 1903.