No. 886.—Petition of D. HARVEY, of Oamaru.

Petitioner prays that some compassionate allowance may be granted him.

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

17th November, 1903.

No. 883.—Petition of A. HATRICK and 17 Others, of Wanganui.

Petitioners pray that some compassionate allowance be granted the widow of the late T. C. Jones of the Native Land Court Department.

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

petition.

17th November, 1903.

No. 803.—Petition of Magnus Isbister and 2 Others, of Palmerston.

PETITIONERS pray that an inquiry be made into the deductions made in the subsidy of the Waihemo County Council.

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

17th November, 1903.

No. 771.—Petition of J. PITCAITHLY and 10 Others, of Pigeon Bay.

Petitioners pray that the totalisator be abolished (same as No. 302).

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

17th November, 1903.

No. 699 - Petition of W. J. Brown, of Dunedin.

PETITIONER prays that he may receive compensation for the closing of a street.

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

18th November, 1903.

No. 466.—Petition of HENRY R. BUNNY, of Carterton.

PETITIONER prays that inquiry be made into the conduct of the Licensing Committee election in Wairarapa Licensing District, and a refund be made to the Wairarapa County Council of the excessive charges made.

I am directed to report that, as the prayer of this petition is to be the subject of inquiry by

Commission, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

18th November, 1903.

No. 892.—Petition of D. McFarlane and 20 Others, of Gore.

PETITIONERS pray that provision be made for the construction of the Gore-Waikaka Railway (same as No. 14).

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

the Government for consideration.

18th November, 1903.

No. 896.—Petition of CLARA BATTY, of Blenheim.

Petitioner prays that some compassionate allowance be granted her for loss of husband killed at rifle butts.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, and that the Government be recommended to grant the petitioner some annuity.

20th November, 1903.

No. 593.—Petition of EDMUND COOKSON, of Waitekauri.

PETITIONER prays that compassionate allowance be granted to him as an ex-militiaman.

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

20th November, 1903.

No. 882.—Petition of J. C. KIRWIN, of Nelson.

PETITIONER prays that inquiry be made into his case, and that he be paid amount due to him.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, and that the Government be requested to pay the sick-pay claims up to the date of his discharge, 25th October, 1902, if such claim be correct.

20th November, 1903.

Nos. 895 and 897.—Petitions of W. H. Macey and 597 Others, of Blenheim; and A. Walsh and 70 Others.

Petitioners pray that some compassionate allowance be granted to Mrs. Batty, whose husband was killed at the rifle butts.