No. 192.—Petition of D. Sullivan and 186 Others, Settlers of Ohura.

PETITIONERS pray that work may be commenced at the Ongarue end of the Stratford-Ongarue Railway.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the prayer of this petition to the Government for consideration.

10th August, 1905.

No. 127.—Petition of W. J. Tait and Other Residents of Oue Settlement, Bay of Islands. Petitioners pray that the sum of £150 may be put on the estimates for the purpose of improving the road to the district.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the prayer of the petition to the Government for consideration.

10th August, 1905.

No. 169.—Petition of Mangonui County Council.

Petitioners pray that a grant of £1,000 may be made towards the erection of a cottage hospital at Mangonui.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petition for favourable consideration by the Government.

16th August, 1905.

No. 126.—Petition of Mary Stewart, of Devonport Road, Tauranga.

PETITIONER prays for a small pension.

I am directed to report that this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, with a recommendation that a small compassionate allowance be granted to the petitioner.

16th August, 1905.

No. 246.—Petition of G. McPherson and 3 Others, of Okaeria, Waerenga, Auckland.

Petitioners pray for a grant of £200 for opening up a road in the Waerenga Valley.

I am directed to report that this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

16th August, 1905.

No. 259.—Petition of J. Nicholas and 52 Others, of Paparoa, Manukau County. Petitioners pray for a grant of £100, on the pound-for-pound basis, for repairing a bridge on the Botany Road.

I am directed to report that this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

16th August, 1905.

No. 263.—Petition of E. G. TIBBETTS and 45 Others, of Paparoa and Pahi.

Petitioners pray for a grant of £500 for metalling the road between the above districts.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the petitioners' case is one in which they might take advantage of the Loans to Local Bodies Act, and that the petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

16th August, 1905.

No. 274.—Petition of C. P. GINDERS and Another, of Wanganui.

PETITIONERS pray for an amendment in "The Dentists Act, 1904."

I am directed to report that a recommendation be made to the Government to bring in and pass this session an amendment to "The Dentists Act, 1904," removing the disabilities referred to in the petition, which have evidently entailed serious injustice on many persons in the colony.

16th August, 1905.

No. 97.—Petition of A. H. A. STRATFORD HENNIKER, of Hanmer.

Petitioner prays for a pension, or such further relief as shall appear to be just and equitable.

I am directed to report that this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

13th September, 1905.