SCHEDULE.

No. 235.—New Zealand Shipping Company No. 212.-J. Cahill and 11 others. and 11 others. 214.—A. Clark and 9 others. 215.—W. Coleman and 21 others. 236.—G. L. Peacocke and 21 others. 238.—H. Mantel and 224 others. 216.-J. J. Craig and 10 others. 283.—R. Abbott and 10 others. 284.—C. Andrea and 10 others. 217.—T. Finlayson and 10 others. 218.—A. E. Glover and 10 others. 285.-E. Benjamin and 10 others. 219.-J. J. Holland and 10 others. -W. Blyth and 10 others. 220.-A. E. Ivil and 10 others. -Brown, Barrett, and Co., and 9 287.221.—L. Lewis and 13 others. 222.—W. H. Lyon and 21 others. 224.—J. C. Macky and 10 others. 225.—A. B. Roberton and 10 others. others. 288.—G. Coldicutt and 10 others. 289.—R. Currie and 10 others. 290.—Gilmore and Co. and 10 others. 290.—Gilmore and Co. and 10 others.
291.—J. W. Heather and 10 others.
292.—F. E. Jackson and 10 others.
293.—P. M. Mackay and 10 others.
294.—W. Philson and 10 others.
311.—A. Heather and 10 others.
336.—W. H. P. Evans and 417 others. 226.—Sharland and Co. and 11 others. 227.—R. McVeagh and 10 others. 228.—T. H. Pickering and 21 others. 229.—H. M. Smeeton and 11 others. 230.—J. A. Williams and 10 others. 231.—J. Wilson and 10 others. 532.—G. Peacocke and 10 others. 233.-E. Mitchelson and 10 others.

No. 118, Session II.—Petition of Messrs. Nosworthy Bros., of Waitara (and 10 other similar Petitions as per Schedule attached).

PETITIONERS pray for an inquiry into the methods of the Press Association.

I am directed to report that, as the representation of the petitioners indicates that the New Zealand Press Association is a close corporation, and that the terms of membership are prohibitory to small newspapers, the Committee is of opinion that the complaint of the petitioners should be investigated, and recommends that the general methods of the agency should be referred to a Select Committee of the House for investigation and report.

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SCHEDULE.

No. 119.—A. W. Ellis.
,, 124.—Algil Bros.
,, 125.—W. Jack.
,, 126.—F. Mackenzie.
,, 127.—W. C. Nation.

No. 128.—H. Pellet.
,, 129.—J. W. Reid.
,, 130.—T. D. Taylor.
,, 131.—H. C. Thomson.
,, 132.—A. Warburton.

No. 90, Session II.—Petition of Albert Plummer, of Symonds Street, Auckland.

Petitioner prays for compensation for alleged loss on Government contract.

I am directed to report that, as no evidence exists to confirm the statement of the petitioner that he ever had a contract to supply the Hauhau prisoners with food, &c., the Committee has no recommendation to make.

23rd October, 1906.

No. 280, Session II.—Petition of J. J. Stephenson (late Assistant Magazine-keeper), Auckland. Petitioner prays for a pension for services rendered in the Defence Department.

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

petition.

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No. 302, Session II.—Petition of WILLIAM PECK, of Waione.

PETITIONER prays for compensation for injuries received whilst assisting the police in the execu-

tion of their duty.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that, in addition to the sum of £55 which has been offered to Mr. Peck by the Police Department, a further sum of £55 should be given him, and recommends the Government to compensate the petitioner with a total sum of £110. 23rd October, 1906.

No. 456, Session II.—Petition of OPAHEKE ROAD BOARD, of Opaheke Road District.

PETITIONERS pray for a grant of £500 for metalling the Ararimu Main Road.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that the Government should make a grant on a pound-for-pound basis, and therefore recommends the petition to the Government for consideration.

23rd October, 1906.