3 No. 269.—Petition of C. M. BROOKES and 208 Others, Kurow. PETITIONERS pray for an improved train-service. I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration. 24th October, 1906. No. 357.—Petition of W. HAMILTON and 217 Others. PETITIONERS pray that a caretaker be appointed to the Kaukapakapa Railway-station. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 24th October, 1906. Nos. 210, 213, 223, 232, and 234.—Petitions of H. BRETT and 10 Others, P. CHEAL and 10 Others, J. MACDONALD and 10 Others, S. Woods and 10 Others, and A. M. MYERS and 10 Others. PETITIONERS pray that the North Island East Coast Railway be authorised. I am directed to report that, as this is a question of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make. 24th October, 1906. No. 163.-Petition of SAMUEL VAILE, Auckland. PETITIONER prays for an unconditional trial of a system known as Vaile's stage system. I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration. 24th October, 1906. Nos. 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, and 421.—Petitions of T. H. BROOKES and 97 Others, O. CUMMINGS and 24 Others, R. GLASSON and 22 Others, J. HAMILTON and 23 Others, S. HODGE and 62 Others, J. MARTIN and 81 Others, G. D. SMITH and 70 Others, and J. WILSON and 45 Others. PETITIONERS pray that an existing train continue its journey to Drury, and remain there at night instead of Otahuhu. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 24th October, 1906. No. 37.—Petition of R. GRIFFITHS, Purakanui. PETITIONER prays that a flag-station be provided at Purakanui Beach. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 24th October, 1906. No. 43.—Petition of DONALD MCCALMAN, Christchurch. PETITIONER prays that the balance of his retiring-allowance be paid to him. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 24th October, 1906. No. 64.—Petition of G. S. Ross, Addington. PETITIONER prays for compensation for suggesting a protection-plate, also introducing a draw-bar. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 24th October, 1906. No. 86.—Petition of A. McInness, Otaike. PETITIONER prays that a surfaceman be placed on Strachan's siding to look after parcels and post-I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration. 24th October, 1906.

No. 596.—Petition of RowLAND WAGHORN, Dunedin.

PETITIONER prays for relief on account of loss sustained in business by the closing of Stuart Street. I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

24th October, 1906.

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No. 403.—Petition of E. MILLER, Purakanui.

PETITIONER prays that a flag-station be provided at Purakanui Beach.

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