

No. 725.—Petition of GEORGE BULL and 18 Others, of Waikiekie, and 23 similar Petitions as per Schedule.

PETITIONERS pray for a survey and grant to carry out the extension of the Main Trunk Railway as far as Maungatapere.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that, as these petitions involve a question of policy, they should be referred to the Government for consideration.

19th November, 1907.

SCHEDULE.

No. 726.—N. H. Campbell and 15 others.	No. 738.—W. McKinstry and 18 others.
„ 727.—J. L. Clarke and 17 others.	„ 739.—A. Stephen and 7 others.
„ 728.—J. J. Fraser and 10 others.	„ 740.—F. G. Watson and 18 others.
„ 729.—W. H. Griffin and 3 others.	„ 753.—E. C. Mason and 18 others.
„ 730.—J. F. Henry and 12 others.	„ 754.—F. S. Millington and 6 others.
„ 731.—A. E. Mason and 6 others.	„ 755.—J. Montaine and 10 others.
„ 732.—R. Millar and 17 others.	„ 756.—R. H. Skelton and 18 others.
„ 733.—McCarroll Bros. and 10 others.	„ 757.—R. Turner and 11 others.
„ 734.—D. McGregor and 9 others.	„ 758.—J. Williams and 7 others.
„ 735.—J. M. McGregor and 18 others.	„ 805.—A. J. McKay and 17 others.
„ 736.—D. McKenzie and 17 others.	„ 806.—Samuel Poutai and 17 others.
„ 737.—M. D. McKenzie and 11 others.	

No. 840.—Petition of C. WOOD and 25 Others, of Oropi and surrounding districts
PETITIONERS pray for road to be constructed in the district.

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

19th November, 1907.

Nos. 808, 811, and 812.—Petitions of E. PAULL and 1,048 Others, D. FARQUHARSON and 2,155 Others, and G. S. HAYCOCK and 394 Others, of Dunedin, Roslyn, Richmond, and surrounding districts.

PETITIONERS pray for the abolition of bottle licenses.

I am directed to report that, as the prayer of these petitions involves an alteration of the existing law, the Committee is of opinion that they should be referred to the Government for consideration.

19th November, 1907.

No. 847.—Petition of S. RYAN, of Wanganui.

PETITIONER prays for a compassionate allowance on account of his services in the Imperial army in the Crimea, and in the New Zealand troops in the Maori War.

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

19th November, 1907.

No. 859.—Petition of Mrs. H. B. VILE, of Wanganui.

PETITIONER prays for a compassionate allowance on account of her late husband's services to the New Zealand Parliament.

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

19th November, 1907.

No. 824.—Petition of T. FISHER and 107 Others, and 8 similar Petitions as per Schedule.

PETITIONERS pray for the retention of the totalisator.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that these petitions, containing 800 signatures, should be referred to the Government for consideration.

19th November, 1907.

SCHEDULE.

No. 825.—G. Gardner and 107 others.	No. 839.—W. Lockhead and 107 others.
„ 829.—A. W. Hazelwood and 107 others.	„ 842.—S. G. Pearce and 53 others.
„ 832.—W. Newson and 107 others.	„ 843.—A. Atkinson and 53 others.
„ 835.—E. R. Haybittle and 107 others.	„ 856.—F. McGregor and 52 others.