

## No. 95.—Petition of MARY MITCHELL and 3 Others.

PETITIONERS affirm that in the year 1871 they were the discoverers of the Round Hill Goldfields, and for such alleged discovery they seek to obtain a reward.

The Goldfields and Mines Committee have the honour to report on the petition of Mary Mitchell and others that, as in their judgment petitioners have no just claim to any reward, they cannot recommend that any compensation be paid to them.

6th August, 1907.

## No. 108.—Petition of CHARLES ASTON and 6 Others.

PETITIONERS represent that an old water-race (the Bonanza Water-race) in the Poolburn District commands a large extent of land held by them, and they pray that a portion of such water-race may be granted to them to be used for irrigation purposes.

The Goldfields and Mines Committee have the honour to report that they recommend that the petition of Charles Aston and others be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

22nd August, 1907.

## No. 381.—Petition of B. FLANNERY and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the Alexandra Water-race may be extended to Ophir and Ida Valley, in order that the rich auriferous deposits known to exist in these localities may be worked.

The Goldfields and Mines Committee have the honour to report on the petition of B. Flannery and others that they recommend that the said petition be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

30th August, 1907.

## No. 256.—Petition of FREDERICK JEUNE.

PETITIONER represents that he held a claim, one man's ground, at Coromandel, and for five years duly paid the rent thereon; that he had worked the said claim in a legitimate manner, putting in an average of not less than eight hours' labour each working-day; that he had been summoned for non-working the said claim, his evidence had been set at nought, and he had been fined £10, with £3 3s. costs, to be followed with forfeiture of the claim in the event of non-payment of these sums. He prays for redress.

The Goldfields and Mines Committee have the honour to report on the petition of Frederick Jeune that they have no recommendation to make.

30th August, 1907.

## No. 236.—Petition of JOHN ROSTRON and 78 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that a compassionate allowance be granted to Mr. William Daw, a miner, who met with an accident whilst working in the State Collieries. Not anticipating serious consequences, the injuries received were neglected, and no application was sent in under the Workers' Compensation for Accidents Act. Subsequently it was required that his leg should be amputated, and consequently he became permanently disabled from following his usual avocation.

The Goldfields and Mines Committee have the honour to report on the petition of John Rostron and others that they recommend that the said petition be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

30th August, 1907.

## No. 124.—Petition of JAMES BROWN, of Gimmerburn, Otago.

PETITIONER represents that he purchased a mining claim and certain mining privileges at Gimmerburn Creek for the sum of £1,050, and that he has since expended considerable sums on the plant, the value of which has been seriously depreciated by the sale of lands by Government which had originally been set apart as a mining reserve, the owners of which lands now obstruct the outflow of tailings, *débris*, and waste water from his claim. Petitioner seeks to obtain a compassionate allowance as some compensation for the injuries he has been subjected to.

The Goldfields and Mines Committee have the honour to report that they recommend that the petition of James Brown be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

1st October, 1907.

## MINING REGULATIONS.

THE Goldfields and Mines Committee, to whom was referred the Mining Regulations gazetted under "The Mining Acts Compilation Act, 1905," have the honour to report that, having carefully considered the same, they recommend that the said regulations be referred to the Government with the request that the regulations be amended so as to agree with the copy attached hereto.

17th October, 1907.