

1913.
NEW ZEALAND.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE).

(MR. HINE, CHAIRMAN.)

Presented to the House of Representatives, and ordered to be printed.

ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

THURSDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF JULY, 1913.

Ordered, "That Standing Order No. 219 be suspended, and that a Committee be appointed, consisting of eleven members, to examine into and report upon such questions relating to the Public Accounts as it may think desirable, or that may be referred to it by the House or the Government, and also into all matters relating to the finances of the Dominion which the Government may refer to it; to have power to call for persons and papers; three to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. Craigie, Mr. Hine, Mr. Lee, Mr. Hanan, Hon. Mr. Millar, Mr. Myers, Dr. A. K. Newman, Mr. E. Newman, Mr. Pearce, Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. ALLEN.)

WEDNESDAY, THE 23RD DAY OF JULY, 1913.

Ordered, "That Paper No. 115 B—Reports and Accounts of the Commissioners of the Public Debts Sinking Funds for the year ended 31st March, 1913—be referred to the Public Accounts Committee."—(Hon. Mr. MASSEY.)

WEDNESDAY, THE 23RD DAY OF JULY, 1913.

Ordered, "That Paper No. 116 B—Public Securities held in the Dominion or elsewhere as on the 31st March, 1913—be referred to the Public Accounts Committee."—(Hon. Mr. MASSEY.)

FRIDAY, THE 25TH DAY OF JULY, 1913.

Ordered, "That Paper No. 2 B—The Public Revenues Act, 1910: Correspondence between Audit Office and the Post and Telegraph Department relating to the Amount of Pension payable to Mr. A. E. Cresswell, late Chief Clerk, Post and Telegraph Department, Timaru—be referred to the Public Accounts Committee."—(Hon. Mr. ALLEN.)

WEDNESDAY, THE 6TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1913.

Ordered, "That the estimates of expenditure out of the Consolidated Fund be referred to the Public Accounts Committee for consideration, advice, and report; the Committee to report to the House within fourteen days."—(Hon. Mr. ALLEN.)

THURSDAY, THE 4TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1913.

Ordered, "That the Bank of New Zealand Bill be referred to the Public Accounts Committee."—(Hon. Mr. ALLEN.)

FRIDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF OCTOBER, 1913.

Ordered, "That Paper No. 263 B—Public Revenues Act, 1910: Copy of Correspondence between the Audit Office and the Defence Department relating to Transfers from the Royal New Zealand Artillery to the Civil Service—be referred to the Public Accounts Committee."—(Hon. Mr. ALLEN.)

THURSDAY, THE 30TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1913.

Ordered, "That the Post and Telegraph Amendment Bill be referred to the Public Accounts Committee."—(Hon. Mr. RHODES.)

TUESDAY, THE 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1913.

Ordered, "That the amendments proposed by His Excellency the Governor in the Public Revenues Amendment Bill be referred to the Public Accounts Committee."—(Hon. Mr. ALLEN.)

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PAPER No. 2 B.—THE PUBLIC REVENUES ACT, 1910 : CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN AUDIT OFFICE AND THE POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT RELATING TO THE AMOUNT OF PENSION PAYABLE TO MR. A. E. CRESSWELL. LATE CHIEF CLERK, POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT, TIMARU.

THE Public Accounts Committee, to which was referred the above-named paper, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and recommends that it be referred to the Government for consideration.

6th August, 1913.

PAPER No. 115 B.—REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE PUBLIC DEBTS SINKING FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1913.

THE Public Accounts Committee, to which was referred the above-named paper, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and has no recommendation to make thereon.

6th August, 1913.

PAPER No. 116 B.—PUBLIC SECURITIES HELD IN THE DOMINION OR ELSEWHERE AS ON 31ST MARCH, 1913.

THE Public Accounts Committee, to which was referred the above-named paper, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and has no recommendation to make thereon.

6th August, 1913.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPER B-1A.—STATEMENT IN DETAIL OF THE EXPENDITURE OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1911-12.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Committee recommends that the publication of the above-named parliamentary paper be continued.

8th August, 1913.

ESTIMATES OF THE EXPENDITURE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF NEW ZEALAND FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1914.

THE Public Accounts Committee, to which was referred the estimates of the expenditure of the Government of New Zealand for the year ending 31st March, 1914, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and recommends that the estimates be allowed to proceed without amendment.

The Committee also has the honour to submit the following recommendations :—

That in future the expenditure of each item be supplied in all Departments wherever possible.

Class 7—Justice Department : That the amount of fees collected in each Court district be furnished the Committee on future occasions.

That the details of fees collected by the Crown Law Office Department be submitted, and the amount paid to the various Crown Prosecutors throughout the Dominion.

Class 14—Department of Agriculture, Industries, and Commerce : That the subsidy for the various postal services now paid by this Department should be charged to the Postal Department.

21st August, 1913.

BANK OF NEW ZEALAND BILL.

THE Public Accounts Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it has considered the same, and recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

30th October, 1913.

POST AND TELEGRAPH AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Public Accounts Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has the honour to report that it has considered the Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed with the amendment as shown on the copy of the Bill annexed hereto.

12th November, 1913.

AMENDMENTS OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN THE PUBLIC REVENUES AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Public Accounts Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned amendments, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and recommends that they be agreed to.

28th November, 1913.

PAPER No. 263 B.—PUBLIC REVENUES ACT, 1910 : COPY OF CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE AUDIT OFFICE AND THE DEFENCE DEPARTMENT RELATING TO TRANSFERS FROM THE ROYAL NEW ZEALAND ARTILLERY TO THE CIVIL SERVICE.

THE Public Accounts Committee, to which was referred the above-mentioned paper, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and has no recommendation to make.

28th November, 1913.

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