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NEW ZEALAND.

AGRICULTURAL AND PASTORAL INDUSTRIES, STOCK,  
AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

(REPORT OF) ON PETITION OF H. D. ACLAND AND OTHERS *re* ARMOUR AND CO. ; TOGETHER  
WITH MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

(MR. G. HUNTER, CHAIRMAN.)

*Report brought up 21st October, 1920, and, together with the Petition and Minutes of Evidence, ordered to be printed.*

ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

*Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives.*

WEDNESDAY, THE 14TH DAY OF JULY, 1920.

*Ordered*, "That Standing Order No. 219 be suspended, and that a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of thirteen members, to consider all matters pertaining to agricultural and pastoral industries, stock, and commerce; with power to confer and sit together with any similar Committee which may be appointed by the Legislative Council, and to agree to a joint or separate report; the Committee to have power to call for persons, papers, and records; three to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. Burnett, Mr. Field, Mr. Forbes, Mr. J. R. Hamilton, Mr. Hawken, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lysnar, Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Mr. Ngata, Mr. Powdrell, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. NOSWORTHY.)

THURSDAY, THE 16TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1920.

*Ordered*, "That Standing Order No. 219 be suspended, and that the name of Mr. Masters be added to the Agricultural and Pastoral Industries, Stock, and Commerce Committee."—(Hon. Mr. NOSWORTHY.)

REPORT.

No. 102.—Petition of H. D. Acland, of Christchurch, and 107 Others, praying that a meat-export license be granted to Armour and Co. of Australasia (Limited).

I AM directed to report that the Committee cannot recommend the prayer of the petitioners that a meat-export license be granted to Messrs. Armour and Co., Australasia (Limited), as in the opinion of the Committee they are a subsidiary company of Armour and Co. of the United States of America, where it has been shown that they, together with other companies, have carried out practices inimical to the interests of both the producer and the consumer.

21st October, 1920.

GEORGE HUNTER, Chairman.

PETITION.

To Mr. Speaker and the Members of the House of Representatives in Parliament assembled.  
THE humble petition of Henry Dyke Acland, Leslie A. Rutherford, and others, the signatories hereto, sheweth as follows:—

1. Your petitioners are sheep-farmers carrying on business in various parts of New Zealand, and are all interested in the production and export of meat.

2. We believe it to be to the interest of ourselves and meat-producers in the Dominion generally that no unnecessary restrictions should be placed upon the sale of meat, and that competition among buyers from abroad is to the advantage of the industry.