## No. 285.—Petition of Susanna Cosgrove, of Auckland.

Praying that she be granted the widow's pension.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, and that provision should be made for payment of a pension to the guardians on behalf of the children, at the same rate as would have been payable had a widow's pension been in force at the time of the mother's death.

4th October, 1928.

No. 36, Petition of J. Abbott and 17,685 Others; No. 101, Petition of R. D. Taylor and 3,165 Others; No. 139, Petition of N. Newton and 3,514 Others, all of Waitemata.

Praying that steps be taken for the construction of a bridge across the Waitemata Harbour.

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

9th October, 1928.

# No. 141.—Petition of Robert Thompson Esther, of Hawke's Bay.

PRAYING that he may receive the benefit of the National Provident Fund.

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

9th October, 1928.

# No. 158.—Petition of JANE SARAH CLARK, of Petone.

Praying for a compassionate allowance owing to the loss of her husband by drowning in the Hutt River.

I am directed to report that, the member presenting this petition being desirous of withdrawing the same, the Committee recommends that the member be allowed to do so.

9th October, 1928.

No. 197.—Petition of Walter Gubb and 5 Others, of Tuakau (and similar Petitions as per Schedule attached).

Praying that in computing income for economic pensions the amount received from friendly societies should not be included.

I am directed to report that the Committee finds a matter of policy is involved, and recommends the petition to the Government for consideration.

9th October, 1928.

#### SCHEDULE.

No. 198.—M. B. Gunn and 6 others. No. 199.—R. Brodie and 10 others. No. 200.—A. Shrimpton and 4 others. No. 201.—H. G. Adams and 4 others. No. 202.—L. Simpson and 4 others. No. 203.—W. H. Drew and another. No. 204.—F. Farrelly and 14 others. No. 205.—A. E. Page and 4 others. No. 206.—F. S. Newbold and 3 others. No. 207.—W. Whyte and 5 others. No. 208.—W. J. Gregory and 4 others. No. 223.—S. F. Moulden and 16 others. No. 224.—W. A. Knaggs and 5 others.

## No. 238.—Petition of W. Cooper and 153 Others, of Avon.

Praying that the law be amended to make legal the holding of euchre tournaments by School Committees and others for public benefit.

I am directed to report that, as a matter of policy is involved, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

9th October, 1928.

No. 252.—Petition of E. LANGFORD and 1,035 Others, of Invercargill.

PRAYING for amendment of the licensing law.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 9th October, 1928.

# No. 264.—Petition of W. Andrews and 86 Others, of Avon.

Praying that the law be amended to make legal the holding of euchre tournaments by School Committees and others for public benefit.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 9th October, 1928.