

## RANGITIKEI.

E. Newman (G.): 'I have already expressed myself as being in favor of the referendum on the Bible-in-schools question, but when the Bill comes before Parliament I shall do my best to provide that the opinions of the minority are sufficiently protected.'

## PALMERSTON.

J. Nash (G.): 'I am opposed to the referendum, and will not support it. If referendum granted would vote against any proposal affecting matters of religion or conscience.'

D. Buick (G.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

J. Thorn (S.D.): 'Against a referendum on Bible-in-schools issue. Will oppose attempt to submit matters affecting religion or conscience to a referendum.'

E. H. Crabb (O.).—Is in favor of a referendum on the question.

## OTAKI.

J. Robertson (S.D.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House. Answer to question, yes.

## HUTT.

T. M. Wilford (O.).—Voted against Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## WELLINGTON NORTH.

H. Holland (S.D.): 'Yes—the platform of the Social Democratic requires that I shall so vote.'

W. H. Turnbull (O.): 'Yes. I should certainly vote against any proposal to make it possible for a referendum to be taken on any matter which may affect religion or conscience.'

Hon. A. L. Herdman (G.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## WELLINGTON CENTRAL.

R. Fletcher (O.): 'I do not favor the referendum principle on this question, and would therefore vote against any such proposal.'

Hon. F. M. B. Fisher (G.).—Did not vote in the division on the Education Committee's report.

## WELLINGTON EAST.

Dr. A. K. Newman (G.).—Voted in favor of the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## WELLINGTON SOUTH.

A. H. Hindmarsh (Lab.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## WELLINGTON SUBURBS AND COUNTRY DISTRICTS.

R. A. Wright (G.).—Did not vote in the division on the Education Committee's report.

F. T. Moore (Lab.): 'Yes.'

## SOUTH ISLAND

## NELSON.

H. Atmore (O.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## WAIRAU.

R. McCallum (O.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House. Answer to question: 'Yes, certainly; with all my heart.'

## MOTUEKA.

Hon. R. McKenzie (O.).—Did not vote in the division on the Education Committee's report.

## BULLER.

J. Colvin (O.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## GREY.

P. C. Webb (S.D.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

H. L. Michel (G.).—Is in favor of the referendum on the Bible-in-schools proposals.

## WESTLAND.

T. E. Y. Seddon (O.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## HURUNUI

G. W. Forbes (O.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House. Answer to question: 'Will oppose referendum.'

## KAIAPOI.

Hon. D. Buddo (O.).—Did not vote in the division on the Education Committee's report.

## CHRISTCHURCH NORTH.

L. M. Isitt (O.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## CHRISTCHURCH EAST.

Dr. Henry J. Thacker (O.): 'Yes.'

## CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH.

H. G. Ell (O.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## LYTTELTON.

J. McCombs (S.D.).—Did not vote in the division on the Education Committee's report.

## RICCARTON.

G. Witty (O.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## AVON.

G. W. Russell (O.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

D. G. Sullivan (S.D.): 'I support the recommendations of the Education Committee of the House. I think that will meet your views.'

## ELLESMERE.

Hon. R. H. Rhodes (G.).—Voted in favor of Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## SELWYN.

W. J. Dickie (O.).—Voted against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## ASHBURTON.

W. Nosworthy (G.).—Voted in favor of Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

W. S. Maslin (O.).—Will vote against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## TEMUKA.

C. E. Kerr (G.).—Will vote against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

J. Talbot (O.).—Will vote against the Bible-in-schools proposals in the House.

## TIMARU.

J. Craigie (O.).—The secretary Timaru branch of the Catholic Federation writes that Mr. Craigie's replies to Federation questions were not satisfactory.

F. H. Smith (G.).—At his meeting on Tuesday night Mr. F. H. Smith replied to a number of questions relating to education. These had all been handed to him in typewritten form and they were asked officially by the Timaru branch of the Catholic Federation. Details of the questions and replies, taken from the *Timaru Post*, are as follows:—

1. Are you in favor of allowing the Government to set up as a teacher of religion, by drawing up and teaching (at the cost of all sections of the community) a scheme of Bible lessons and prayers admittedly suited for only one section of the community.

Answer—No.

2. Do you think it fair that teachers should be compelled (without the option of a conscience clause, and under penalty of dismissal), to administer Government Bible lessons (or a State religion), which they may or may not believe, and to which the vast majority of the teachers have declared themselves conscientiously opposed?

Answer—No, it is not fair.

3. If one section of the people has its views of the Bible or religion taught by State officials at State cost, have not all other sections of the people an equal right to have their views of the Bible and religion taught by State officials at State cost.

Answer—Yes.

4. Are you in favor of depriving Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Unitarian, and other objecting taxpayers of the liberty of conscience they now enjoy, and of compelling them to pay for Government Biblical lessons (or a State religion), to which they conscientiously object, and from which they can derive no advantage?

Answer—No.