Ko nga kupu whakamutunga o taua pukapuka-inoi e inoi ana kia utua tona iwi mo nga wahi o to ratou whenua i riro mo nga rerewe.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei atu ki te Whare:-

Ko te Komiti mo nga mea Maori o te Paremete i te tau kua pahemo nei i kimi nui i nga take o

tenei mea a koia tenei ta ratou whakataunga:—

"Ki te whakaaro o te Komiti kahore he take tika a nga kai-inoi mo to ratou pouritanga a e maharatia ana e whakahaeretia tikatia paitia ana hoki taua whenua porowhita mo nga Maori e whai tikanga ana ki reira.

"E whakaaro ana hoki te Komiti ko te Ture e whakamana nei i te Kawana ki te hoko i aua tu

porowhita, me whakatikatika kia whakaritea ai kia kaua e taea he hoko pera engari me matua hanga e

te Paremete tetahi Ture mo aua hoko.'

Notemea kahore kau he kupu hou i whakapuakina i te aroaro o te Komiti kahore he kupu ke ma ratou i tera kua whakaaturia i runga ake nei; heoti ano ia me tuku atu te pukapuka-inoi ki te Kawanatanga.

Nowema 19, 1877.

JOHN BRYCE, Tumuaki.

REPORT ON PETITION OF PATOROMU WAITURI and OTHERS.

PETITIONERS state that their land, Titirangi, Poverty (?) Bay, has been stolen for reclamation purposes. They allege that they consented to stones being taken for the repair of a road, and that advantage was taken of that consent to steal the land. And they pray that this affliction, which was brought upon them in August last by Mr. Locke, may be redressed.

am directed to report as follows:

That the idea expressed by the petitioners that their land has been stolen for reclamation purposes seems to have arisen from a mere examination of the land by the engineer of the Borough of Gisborne; but the Committee are convinced that there is no intention on the part of the local authorities to take the land or stone referred to unlawfully.

JOHN BRYCE,

20th November, 1877.

Chairman.

[TRANSLATION.]

KO TE KUPU A TE KOMITI MO BUNGA I TE PUKAPUKA-INOI A PATOROMU WAITURI ME ETAHI ATU. E KI ana nga kai-inoi kua tahaetia to ratou whenua i Titirangi, Turanga, hei tanu. E ki ana ratou i whakaae ratou kia tangohia nga kowhatu hei whakapai i te rori, engari ko taua whakaaetanga i kiia he take tahaetanga i te whenua. A e inoi ana ratou kia whakaorangia ratou i runga i tenei mate i whakapangia ki a ratou e Raka i a Akuhata kua pahure ake nei. Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei atu ki te Whare:—

Ko te whakaaro a nga kai-inoi kua tahaetia to ratou whenua kua tupu ake pea i runga i te tiro-hanga kautanga o te whenua e te kai-ruri o te taone o Turanga. Engari e tuturu ana te mahara o te Komiti kahore he whakaaro a nga tangata whakahaere o reira ki te tango he i te whenua i nga kowhatu ranei.

JOHN BRYCE,

Tumuaki.

Nowema 20, 1877.

REPORT ON PETITION OF TUTA NIHONIHO and OTHERS.

THE petitioners in this case refer to a petition presented to the House during the present session impugning the conduct of the Resident Magistrate of Waiapu, such reference being made for the purpose of contradicting its material allegations.

I am directed to report as follows:

That the Committee can only refer to their report on the former petition brought up on the 10th August last, and recommend the adoption of the course indicated therein.

20th November, 1877.

JOHN BRYCE, Chairman.

[Translation.]

KO TE KUPU A TE KOMITI MO RUNGA I TE PUKAPUKA-INOI A TUTA NIHONIHO MA. E WHAKAHUA ana nga kai-inoi nei i tetahi pukapuka-inoi i tukua ki te Whare i tenei tau he whakahe i te mahi a te Kai-whakawa Tuturu o Waiapu, ko taua whakahuatanga ra he whakateka i nga tino kupu_o tera pukapuka-inoi.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei atu ki te Whare:-

Heoti ano ta te Komiti he ki kia tirohia ta ratou kupu mo runga i te pukapuka-inoi i hoatu ki te Whare i te a 10 o Akuhata kua pahure nei a e whakaaro ana ratou kia peratia me tera kupu te tikanga.

Nowema 20, 1877.

JOHN BRYCE,

Tumuaki.

REPORT ON PETITION OF MOROATI KIHAROA.

This petition refers to certain disputes between the petitioner and Mr. Booth, a Land Purchase Officer of the Government, and requests advice as to how he shall act.

I am directed to report as follows:-

That, as the petition seems to have been intended less as a petition to the House than as a letter