

Mr. SUTTON to the CHAIRMAN, Native Affairs Committee.

SIR,—I have the honor to request that your Committee would proceed as early as convenient with a petition of mine, which was partly inquired into last session. I should like Mr. Cornford, of Napier, who is now in Wellington (in obedience to your request in the matter of Davie's petition), to be examined on my behalf. I should also feel obliged if you would apply to the House for permission to ask the Hon. Dr. Pollen to attend and give evidence.—I have, &c., F. SUTTON. Wellington, 10th November, 1879. E. Hamlin, Esq., Chairman, Native Affairs Committee.

Mr. REES to the CHAIRMAN, Native Affairs Committee.

SIR,—I have the honor to request that I may appear as solicitor for the Natives in Mr. Sutton's petition regarding Oamaru. The Natives interested are mostly my clients, and, unless I am permitted to appear and act for them, I am confident that the Committee cannot arrive at a just conclusion.—I have, &c., W. L. REES. Wellington, 14th November, 1879. The Chairman, Native Affairs Committee.

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