

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:—

I penei ano etahi pukapuka-inoi i tukua mai ki te Komiti i tera Paramete. Tuatahi, ko te mea i tukua mai e Nepia Tartoia me etahi atu; tuarua, ko te mea i tukua mai e Karaitiana Te Ahu-taikapurua me etahi atu. Kaore he korero hou i tukua mai e enei kai-pitihana, engari e kiia ana ka ahei ano ratou ki te tuku korero mai, heoi ka meingatia e te Komiti kia waiho ma ratou e haeremai i te Paramete e takoto mai nei ki te tautoko i ta ratou pukapuka-inoi.

17 Akuhata, 1882.

No. 185 of 1882.—Petition of WIREMU KINGI and 109 Others.

PETITIONERS state that they are the rightful owners of the lands called Ranginui, Rangi-a-Hinehau, and Tiraotane, in the District of Poverty Bay, the titles to which were investigated on the 2nd March, 1882, by Judges Brookfield and Puckey; and that, notwithstanding their claims, the land was adjudged to others. They pray for rehearing.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That the Committee learns that this matter is now under the consideration of the Chief Judge, and has, therefore, no recommendation to make.

17th August, 1882.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 185 of 1882.—Pukapuka-inoi a WIREMU KINGI me etahi atu 109.

E ki ana nga kai-pitihana ko ratou nga tangata tika no ratou nga whenua e kiia nei ko Ranginui, ko Rangai-a-Hinehau, me Tiraotane i roto i te Takiwa o Papati Pei; i whakawakia i te 2 o nga ra o Maehe, 1882 e nga Kai-whakawa e Te Purukiwhira me Te Paki, na whakataua ketia ana o ratou take ki etahi atu.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:—

Kua rongono te Komiti kei te whiriwhiria tenei mea i naianei e Te Tumuaki o nga Kai-whakawa, heoi kaore he kupu.

17 Akuhata, 1882.

No. 117 of 1882.—Petition of HENARE KAIPUKE and 5 Others.

PETITIONERS ask, on behalf of the Ngatihanui Hapu, that their lands at Hukanui, Waikato, near Hamilton, should be individualized.

I am directed to report as follows:—

Mr. Marshall reports that in 1870 Mr. Clarke and he attended at Cambridge to receive claims, but the petitioners declined to attend, and were consequently not included in the list of persons who were to receive lands. Major Te Wheoro's evidence is to the following effect: These people settled on the lands (which had been originally theirs) in 1868; they got no other land from Government. In 1873, Major Te Wheoro says, that Dr. Pollen, in the presence of Mr. J. Mackay and himself, promised that they should have the land. The petitioners have ever since 1868 resided upon Hukanui; now, they are disputing amongst themselves about the right of cutting timber, and further troubles may arise.

The Committee recommends Government to make fuller inquiries into the whole case, and deal with it as may seem just.

17th August, 1882.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 117 of 1882.—Pukapuka-inoi a HENARE KAIPUKE me etahi atu e 5.

E TONO ana nga kai-pitihana mo te taha ki te hapu o Ngatihanui kia roherohea o ratou whenua i Hukanui, Waikato, e tata ana ki Hamutana, ki ia tangata ki ia tangata.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:—

E ki ana te ripoata a Maiho (Mr. Marshall) no te tau 1870 ka haere raua ko Te Karaka ki Kemureti mo nga tono kia tae atu ki a raua, engari kaore nga kai-pitihana i haere ake ki reira, a koina hoki i kore ai e uru o ratou ingoa ki roto ki te rarangi o nga tangata e hoatu ai he whenua.

Ko nga korero a Meiba Te Wheoro e mea ana. Ko era tangata i noho ki runga ki era whenua (no ratou hoki i mua) i te tau 1868. Kaore he whenua ke atu i hoatu e te Kawanatanga ki a ratou. I te tau 1873 e ki ana a Meiba Te Wheoro, ka whakaaetia e Te Rata Porana taua whenua mo ratou, i reira ano tera a Te Wheoro me Te Make i taua whakaaetanga. No reira mai ra ano te nohanga o nga kai-pitihana ki runga ki taua whenua ki Hukanui. Kei te tautohetohe ratou i naianei ki ratou ano mo te mana tapahi i nga rakau, a tera pea e tipu ake ano he raruraru.

E whakahau ana te Komiti kia tino rapua e te Kawanatanga taua mea katoa, a ka whakahaere i i runga i te huarahi tika e kitea ana e ratou.

17 Akuhata, 1882.

No. 393 of 1882.—Petition of HOEPA MATAITAU.

PETITIONER resides at Te Kouma, Coromandel, and complains that strangers from Sydney, Melbourne, and elsewhere, come and remove oysters and other shellfish in great quantities, to the manifest injury of the Maori people, and with the effect of speedily ruining the fisheries. He prays that a law may be enacted to give the right of fishing on foreshores to the owners of the land abutting upon them.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That the Committee would recommend that inquiries should be made by Government into the truth of the allegation in the petition, and that it should take action if necessary.

18th August, 1882.