

3. Ko nga Kura me nga rongoa i tukua nuitia ano timata mai i te tau 1868, i tukua ititia ano hoki i mua timata mai i te tau 1865, i nga wa me nga whahi e tika ana kia tukua, engari e rua nga whahi ia kore ai nga Maori e whakaae ki nga kura kei he ta ratou kereme ki te Koroni. Ko aua wahi ko Aorarowhenua me Moeraki. Engari ano i mua atu i te tau 1868, kaore i ata whakaarohia tikatia taua mahi, a e tika ana i naianei kia rapua mehemea e hia te mea tika hei utu ma te Koroni ki nga Maori o naianei mo nga mea kihai i tukua ki nga Maori o tera whakatipuranga. E mahara ana te Komiti ka tae ano e te Kawanatanga te kimi i te nui o te moni o te Koroni i pau mehemea i mahia katoatia aua mea i mua atu i te tau 1868, ka ki hoki te Komiti me ata kimi mai tera. I te otinga o tera me whakarite te utu ki te Rahui, a me here aua Rahui i runga i etahi tikanga e ora ai nga tangata pohara i te wa e mate turoro ana e koroheketia ana ranei.

Ma tetahi Ture ano e taea ai te whakarite i nga mea kua tohutohua atu i te rarangi i runga ake nei; engari e whakaaro ana te Komiti mehemea ka taea te whakaoti pai i enei mea, me ata mahi marire me tuku atu hoki etahi mea whakapumau. Heoi e mea ana te Komiti me ata whakaaro tenei ripoata e te Kawanatanga.

25 Akuhata, 1882.

No. 389 of 1882.—Petition of RENATA ROPIHA and 87 Others.

PETITIONERS state that when the Rangitikei-Manawatu Block was purchased, three hapus of the Ngatiraukawa tribe—namely, Ngatirakawa, Ngatitoa, and Ngatituranga, did not sign the deed of cession and took no part of the purchase-money; that by Native custom petitioners are owners of the Himutangi Block; that on grounds of policy the rents of certain Europeans to be paid on land occupied by them, the last named block had been impounded by Government; that out of these rents there was due to the petitioners at the time of an alleged settlement, the sum of £500, which had not since been paid to them; that with interest this sum now amounts to £1,250; that Government alleges that the whole of the impounded rents have been paid except £66 2s. 1d.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That at the request of Mr. Buller, counsel for the petitioners, as expressed by the honorable member who presented the petition, its consideration has been postponed; that it is now too late in the session for the Committee to consider the complicated questions involved; and that the Committee therefore recommends the Government to look carefully into the matter, and do what may be equitable towards the settlement of a long-standing dispute.

5th September, 1882.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 389 of 1882.—Pukapuka-inoi a RENATA ROPIHA me etahi atu 87.

E KI ana nga kai-pitihana i te hokonga o te poraka whenua i Rangitikei-Manawatu, e toru nga hapu o Ngatiraukawa, ara, ko Ngatirakau, Ngatitoa, me Ngatituranga kaore i haina i te Tiiti tuku i te whenua, kaore hoki i tango i te moni o te hoko; i runga i te tikanga Maori ko nga kai-pitihana nga tangata whaitake ki te poraka whenua o Himutangi, na runga i nga tikanga whakahaere a te Kawanatanga i herea etahi o nga moni reti a nga pakeha mo nga whenua i a ratou i roto i taua poraka, na i te wa e kiia nei i whakaritea, e £500, e toe ana kia utua ki nga kai-pitihana, kaore ano nei kia utua kia ratou; ko taua moni me nga hua e rite ana i naianei ki te £1,250, e ki ana te Kawanatanga kua utua katoatia au reti i herea ra, heoi ano nga moni e toe ana e £66 2s. 1d.

Kua whakahaua abau kia ki penei:—

I runga i te tono a Te Pura Roia a nga kai-pitihana, e whakaaturia mai nei e te mema nana i tuku mai te pitihana, ka nukuhia atu te whiriwhiringa i tenei pitihana; kua tata hoki ki te mutunga o te paremete e kore e taea e te Komiti te tino whiriwhiri i nga putake katou e uru ana ki tenei raruraru; na e ki ana te Komiti me ata whiriwhiri marire e te Kawanatanga tenei mea, ka whakarite ai i runga i te huarahiti tika kia o pai tenei raruraru o mua rano.

5 Hepetema, 1882.

No. 469 of 1882.—Petition of RATANA NGAHINA and Another.

PETITIONERS state that, owing to the Judge of the Native Land Court, which sat at Bulls in June, 1880, having ordered counsel out of Court, they had to withdraw their case, and that in consequence they had been put to a useless expenditure of £500. They pray that they may be reimbursed for this outlay.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That this case was heard by Judge Heaphy (now dead). There is nothing in the records of the Court to show the motive of the presiding Judge for clearing the Court, but from other information it appears that there was great disorder. The petitioners have no claim.

5th September, 1882.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 469 of 1882.—Pukapuka-inoi a RATANA NGAHINA me tetahi atu.

E KI ana nga kai-pitihana i unuhia to ratou keihi i te tunga o te Kooti Whenua Maori i Purutaone i Hune, 1880, natemea i whakahaua e te Kai-whakawa kia puta to ratou Roia ki waho, i runga i taua mahi i moutou ta ratou £500. E inoi ana ratou kia whakahokia atu ano a ratou moni.

Kua whakahaua abau kia ki penei:—

Na Kai-whakawa Hiihi (kua mate nei), i whakatau taua keihi. Kahore he tuhituhi i roto i te Kooti hei whakaatu i te take i peia ai nga Roia e te Kai-whakawa, engari e kitea ana i runga i etahi atu huarahi e kitea ana he nui no te raruraru i roto i te Kooti. Kaore he tikanga o te tono a nga kai-pitihana.

5 Hepetema, 1882.