

No. 369.—Petition of HUGO FRIEDLANDER and Another.

PETITIONERS complain that, in Mr. G. E. Barton's report to the Government relative to the removal of restrictions on the sale of certain Native lands, they are accused of having defrauded the Natives. They pray that a Committee may be appointed to inquire into the matter, and grant them such relief as may seem meet.

I am directed to report as follows: That the Committee have carefully considered Mr. Barton's report in connection with this case, and have examined documents and witnesses in relation to it. The Committee are satisfied that Mr. Barton's recommendation against the removal of the restrictions is not justified by the circumstances under which the land was purchased from the Natives; and the Committee recommends that the consent of the Governor, as asked for by the petitioners, should be given to the sale.

10th August, 1886.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 369.—Pukapuka-inoi a HIUKO PIRIRANA me etahi atu.

E WHAI kupu ana nga kai-pitihana mo runga i nga korero a te Patene kia te Kawanatanga mo runga i te uru o nga here kei hokona tetahi Whenua Maori. Otira kua tukuna tetahi whakapae ki a ratou mo te tahae i nga Maori. E inoi ana ratou kia whakaturia tetahi Komiti hei hurihuri i tenei take ki te tuku atu hoki i tetahi ora i kitea ai he tika kia tukuna atu.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Kua ata whiriwhiria e te Komiti nga korero a te Patene mo runga i tenei keehi a kua tirohia hoki nga pukapuka kua tukuna hoki nga patai ki nga kaiwhaki korero mo runga i taua mea kua tino marama ki te Komiti kihai i tika te tono a te Patene ki te Kawanatanga kia kaua e unuhia nga here i runga i nga tikanga i hokona ai taua whenua i nga Maori. A e tono aua te Komiti kia tukuna te whakaae a te Kawana kia hokona taua whenua e nga kai-pitihana.

11 o Akuhata, 1866.

No. 415.—Petition of RENATI PAEHORA and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that a block of land called Ihuraua, which they say was theirs, was sold by the Ngatikahungunu without their knowledge. They pray that it may be returned to them.

I am directed to report as follows: That the Committee have no recommendation to make.

11th August, 1886.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 415.—Pukapuka-inoi a RENATI PAEHORA me etahi atu.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana me te ki no ratou tetahi whenua e karangatia ano ko Ihuraua a kihai ratou i mohio ki te hokonga a Ngatikahunu nu. E inoi ana ratou kia whakahokia mai kia ratou.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Kahore he kupu a te Komiti mo runga i tenei mea.

11 o Akuhata, 1886.

No. 60.—Petition of RIHITOTO MATAIA and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the decision given by Judge Brookfield in the Ohinemuri case, recently brought before the Native Land Court, may be set aside on the following grounds—viz.: (1.) The judgment of the Court was not in accordance with the evidence. (2.) Certain evidence was suppressed. (3.) Wrong evidence was admitted.

I am directed to report as follows: That, owing to inability of the Committee to go into all the evidence, &c., in this case, the Committee have no recommendation to make.

11th August, 1886.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 60.—Pukapuka-inoi a RIHITOTO MATAIA me etahi atu.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakakorea te whakataunga a Tiati Purukuwhira mo runga i Ohinemuri i mauria inaia tata nei ki te aroaro o te Kooti whenua Maori, ko nga take tenei: (1.) Kihai i tika te whakataunga a te Kooti i runga i nga korero i korerotia. (2.) Kihai i tukuna kia korerotia etahi o nga korero. (3.) Ko nga korero he i whakaaetia.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: I rungi i te mea kahore e taea te whakhaere i nga korero mo runga i tenei keehi, kahore he kupu a te Komiti.

11 Akuhata, 1886.

435.—Petition of HONE PARAONE and Others.

PETITIONERS allege that certain blocks of land called Takahue and Manganuiowae belonged to them by ancestry, but that the land was awarded to others through the misrepresentations of Mr. Preece. They pray for a rehearing, so that the rightful owners of the land may be found out.

I am directed to report as follows: That in 1880 and 1881 the same subject was petitioned upon by Reihana Paraone, and the claim reported against. The Committee have no further recommendation to make.

11th August, 1886.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 435.—Pukapuka-inoi a HONE PARAONE.

E KI ana nga kai-pitihana na ratou etahi poraka whenua e karangatia nei ko Takahue me Manganuiowae he take tupuna ta ratou take erangi i whakataua hetia e te Pirihi, ki etahi tangata ke atu.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: I tea tau 1880 me te tau 1881 i tae mai ano tetahi pitihana a Reihana Paraone mo runga ano i taua take a kihai i whakaaetia tana tono ko tenei kahore he kupu ke atu a te Komiti.

11 o Akuhata, 1886.