

SESS. II.—1887.
NEW ZEALAND.

NATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE).

NGA KUPU A TE KOMITI O TE RUNANGA MO NGA MEA MAORI.

MR. KELLY, CHAIRMAN.

Nos. 59, 70, and 84, Sess. I.—Petitions of WI P. KAKAKURA and 296 Others, RENETI TAPA and 347 Others, and HETA TE HAARA and 3 Chiefs of other Tribes.

PETITIONERS pray that the Native Land Administration Act may be repealed, as most of the provisions contained therein bear heavily on the Maori race.

I am directed to report as follows: That, as the Government have already intimated legislating in the direction asked for by the petitioners, these petitions be referred to them for consideration.

4th November, 1887.

[TRANSLATION.]

Nos. 59, 70, me te 84, Sess. I.—Pukapuka-inoi a W. P. KAKAKURA me etahi atu e 296, ME RENETI TAPA me etahi atu e 347, ME HETA TE HURA me nga Rangatira e toru o etahi atu iwi.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakakorea te Ture Whakahaere Whenua Maori no te mea e taumaha ana te nuinga o nga rarangi o taua Pire ki runga ki te iwi Maori.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: I runga i te mea kua puta te kupu a te Kawanatanga tera e kokiritia he Pire ki te Whare mo runga i te take e toonoa nei e nga kai-pitihana, heoi me tuku enei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia whiriwhiria mai e ratou.

4 o Nowema, 1887.

No. 144, Sess. I.—Petition of HENARE PUKUATUA and 8 Others.

PETITIONERS complain that they suffer great inconvenience and hardship through the frequent adjournments of the Native Land Court by Mr. Brabant, who is also the Resident Magistrate of the district. They pray that he may be relieved of his office as Resident Magistrate until their titles are settled.

I am directed to report as follows: That the attention of the Government be called to the inconvenience caused by adjournments of the Native Land Court in order to enable the Judge or Recorder to attend to other duties, and that it is desirable to make such arrangements in future as will prevent loss or inconvenience in consequence to the Natives attending sittings of the Court.

4th November, 1887.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 144, Sess. I.—Pukapuka-inoi a HENARE PUKUATUA me etahi atu tokowaru 8.

E WHAI kupu ana nga kai-pitihana mo te nui o te mate e tau ana ki runga kia ratou i runga i te maha o nga nukuhanga o te Kooti Whenua Maori e te Paramena Kaiwhaka tuturu o taua takiwa, e inoi ana ratou kia unuhia mai ia i tona tari kia oti rano a ratou take te whakatau.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Me whakamahara atu ki te Kawanatanga i te nui o te mate e pa ana i runga i te mahi whakanukunuku tonu o te Kooti Whenua Maori kia watea ai te Tiati ki te mahi i etahi mahi ke atu. A ko te mea e hiahia nuitia ana kia kaua e penei te whakanukunuku tonu a mua ake nei kei tau ano he mate ki runga ki nga Maori e kawea ana i a ratou keehi ki te Kooti.

4 o Nowema, 1887.

No. 156, Sess. I.—Petition of TE HEKETERO HIKAIRO and 44 Others.

PETITIONERS ask that a block of 1,200 acres, situated in the Parish of Waimana and allocated by Sir Donald McLean to the Ngatipukeko Tribe, may be confirmed to them.

I am directed to report as follows: That this Committee are of opinion, after examining the report and correspondence thereon furnished by Mr. Lewis, that the petitioners have no claim to the 1,200 acres, their claims having been fully satisfied in the award of 120 acres.

4th November, 1887.

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