

No. 500, Sess. II., 1887.—Petition of MATUAHU TE WHARERANGI and 27 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that a rehearing of the Kahukura Block may take place during the present sitting of the Native Land Court.

I am directed to report as follows: That it appears, from the evidence of Mr. Lewis, that the Chief Judge held an inquiry at Cambridge to determine applications for a rehearing of Taupo Nuiatia, which comprises the land referred to in the petition. The applications were determined. The matter is now before the Supreme Court. Therefore this Committee has no recommendation to make.

31st May, 1888.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 500, Sess. II., 1887.—Pukapuka-inoi a MATUAHU TE WHARERANGI me etahi atu e 27.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakawhakia tuaruatia te Kahukura Poraka inaiane i te wa e noho ana te Kooti Whenua Maori.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: E kitea ana i runga i nga korero a te Ruihi i tu ano tetahi whakawa a te Tumuaki i Kemureti hei whiriwhiri i nga tono whakawa tuarua mo te Taupo Nuiatia Poraka (ara), te whenua e whakahuatia nei i roto i te pitihana a i whakaotia aua tono a kei te aroaro o te Huipirimi Kooti taua take inaiane. No reira kahore he kupu a te Komiti.

31 o Mei, 1888.

No. 161, Sess. II., 1887.—Petition of HENARE TAHAU and 20 Others.

PETITIONERS state that a reserve called Okirae, containing 3,125 acres, which belonged to them, and which they leased to one Joe Abbott, has been sold without their knowledge and consent. They pray for an inquiry.

I am directed to report as follows: That as the request contained in the petition has been complied with the Committee has no recommendation to make.

31st May, 1888.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 161, Sess. II., 1887.—Pukapuka-inoi a HENARE TAHAU me etahi atu e rua tekau.

E ki ana nga kai-pitihana no ratou tetahi rahui e karangatia ana ko Okirae e 3,125 eka i rihitia kia Teo Apeta a hokona ake i runga i te mea kihai ratou i mohio i whakaae ranei. E inoi ana ratou kia whiriwhiria taua mea.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: I runga i te mea kua oti te whakarite te tono e mau nei i roto i te pitihana kahore he kupu a te Komiti.

31 o Mei, 1888.

Nos. 61 and 62.—Petitions of WEPIHA APANUI and 206 Others, and REWIRI PAERA and 23 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that an Act may be passed under which the confiscated lands in the Bay of Plenty may be rendered of more service to them, by setting aside the original grants, and fresh ones issued, placing all the owners on an equality.

I am directed to report as follows: That petitioners have undoubtedly a grievance, and a very grave one; but, as it has been pointed out by the Chief Judge Macdonald, clause 41 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1886," is thought to provide the desired remedy. The Committee therefore recommends that the petitioners take advantage of the clause referred to for the purpose of bringing the lands complained of under the adjudication of the Native Land Court, so that the present tenure may be altered and fresh grants issued to all the owners thereof; also, that the Government afford every facility to the petitioners in getting their cases brought before the Land Court; or, if it is found to be necessary, pass such legislation as will satisfy the prayer of the petitioners.

31st May, 1888.

[TRANSLATION.]

Nos. 61 and 62.—Pukapuka-inoi a WEPIHA APANUI me ona hoa e 206 me REWIRI PAERA me ona hoa e 23.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia pahitia tetahi Ture hei whakakaore i nga karaati tawhito me te tuku i etahi karaati hou kia ahei te whakahaere i tetahi tikanga hou mo runga i nga whenua raupatu i te Pei o Pereti kia rite tonu te hea ma ia tangata me te tau o te ora ki runga i a ratou.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Kahore i ruarua te whakaaro he mate nui ano to nga kai-pitihana otira kua oti te whakaatu e te Tumuaki e Maketanara tera ano tetahi huarahi e ea ai to ratou mate kei te rarangi 41 o te "Ture Kooti Whenua Maori, 1886," no konei ka whakahau te Komiti i nga kai-pitihana kia whakahaerea taua rarangi kia ahei ai te tuku i te whenua e korerotia nei ki te aroaro o te Kooti Whenua Maori kia ahei ai hoki te pupuri i te whenua i runga i tetahi tikanga ke me te tuku i etahi karaati hou ki nga tangata whai take katoa, me te whakangawari atu hoki e te Kawanatanga i nga huarahi e ahei ai nga kai-pitihana te tuku i ta ratou kehi ki te aroaro o te Kooti Whenua Maori. A ki te mea e kitea ana he mea tika, me hanga i tetahi Ture hei whakarite mo te inoi a nga kai-pitihana.

31 o Mei, 1888.

No. 296, Sess. II., 1887.—Petition of TIAHUIA.

PETITIONER prays that a piece of land at Mangere, containing 74 acres, which was left to him by will, but is now occupied by a European, may be given to him, as promised by Mr. Ballance.

I am directed to report as follows: That the Committee recommends the matter to the consideration of the Government.

1st June, 1888.