

an Act may be passed to validate the proceedings of the Native Land Court held at Taradale, and also to enable the Court now sitting at Hastings to investigate that block.

I am directed to report as follows: That, after hearing Mr. Lewis's explanation, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

20th August, 1888.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 266.—Pukapuka-inoi a RAWIRI KAHIA me etahi atu e 22.

Ko nga kai-pitihana e whai take nei ki tetahi poraka whenua e karangatia ana ko Owhaoko kei Taupo e takoto ana, e inoi ana kia hanga tetahi Ture hei whakamana i nga mahia te Kooti Whenua Maori noho ki Tarateera a kia ahei ai hoki tenei Kooti e noho nei i Hehitingi te whakawa i taua poraka.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: I runga i rongonga ki nga korero whakamarama a te Ruihi, kahore he kupu a te Komiti.

20 o Akuhata, 1888.

No. 405.—Petition of HIRAKA TE RANGO and Others (No. 3).

PETITIONERS pray that the Native Land Act and the Crown and Native Lands Rating Act now before the House may not be passed into law.

I am directed to report as follows: That, as the subject-matter of this petition is now before Parliament, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

20th August, 1888.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 405.—Pukapuka-inoi a HIRAKA TE RANGO me etahi atu (Nama 3).

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia kaua e paahitia hei Ture te Ture Whenua Maori, me te Ture Reiti i nga Whenua Karauna me nga Whenua Maori e takoto nei i te aroaro o te Whare.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: No te mea kei te aroaro o te Paramete nga take o tenei pitihana, kahore he kupu o te Komiti.

20 o Akuhata, 1888.

No. 392.—Petition of REWETI TE AKAU and 4 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that each person's share in a block of land may be divided off, and that the surveyor employed may be instructed accordingly.

I am directed to report as follows: That this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

20th August, 1888.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 392.—Pukapuka-inoi a REWETI TE AKAU me etahi atu Tokowha.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia wehea ki ia tangata ki ia tangata nga hea i roto i tetahi poraka whenua a me whakahau nga kairuri kia peratia te ruri.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Me tuku tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia whiriwhiria e ratou.

20 o Akuhata, 1888.

No. 341.—Petition of NGAHIRAKA RONGOHIKAIA.

PETITIONER states that a piece of land called Rangiahua, situated at Whanganui, was set apart as a burial-ground for their dead. They say that it has been desecrated by the Road Board. They pray that it may be allowed to remain intact.

I am directed to report as follows: That the petition should be referred to the Government for inquiry.

20th August, 1888.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 341.—Pukapuka-inoi a NGAHIRAKA RONGOHIKAIA.

E KI ana te kai-pitihana i wehea tetahi whenua e karangatia ana ko Rangiahua urupa kei Whanganui e takoto ana. E ki ana ratou kua taka kinotia taua whenua e te Rori Poari. A e inoi ana ratou kia kaua e taka kinotia taua whenua erangi me waiho kia takoto toitu ana.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Me tuku tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia whiriwhiria e ratou.

20 o Akuhata, 1888.

No. 430.—Petition of TE REIROA PIRERE and Others (No. 2).

PETITIONERS say they are some of the grantees of a reserve made to them by Sir Donald McLean in 1849. They say they were induced to sign a deed made out by one George Rees, which purported to be a deed of lease but was a deed of sale. They would never have signed the deed had they known its real purport. They pray for inquiry.

I am directed to report as follows: That this Committee has no recommendation to make.

20th August, 1888.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 430.—Pukapuka-inoi a TE REIROA PIRERE me etahi atu (Nama 2).

E KI ana nga kai-pitihana ko ratou etahi o nga tangata i uru ki te Karauna karaati mo tetahi rahui i tukuna mo ratou e Ta Tanara Makarini i te tau 1849. E kii ana ratou i whakahaua ratou kia