No. 11, 1890.—Petition of Meiha Keepa and 63 Others.

Petitioners complain of the position Major Kemp holds as trustee for Block 11, containing 14,975 acres of land, at Horowhenua, and asking Parliament to decide his position in the matter.

I have the honour to report as follows: That, in the opinion of this Committee, after a lengthened hearing of witnesses, this Committee has come to the conclusion that a trust was understood to be created when the Horowhenua Block No. 11 was vested in Major Kemp and Warena Hunia, and

this Major Kemp himself states was the understanding.

That the legal opinion seems to be that, at this stage of the proceedings which are being conducted in the Supreme Court, no plea of the trust existing can be asked, and, if it could, would have no effect.

That, under these circumstances, the necessary legislation should be provided to authorise a rehearing of the block, with the object of subdivision among the several parties concerned.

20th August, 1890.

[Translation.]

No. 11, 1890.—Pukapuka-inoi a Meiha Keepa me etahi atu e 63.

E whar kupu ana nga kai-pitihana mo te ahua raruraru o te tu o Meiha Keepa hei kai-tiaki mo te Poraka whenua o Horowhenua Nama 11, ko nga eka ki ta te kairuri 14,975. A e tono ana ia a

Meiha Keepa kia whakataua te pehea o tona tu i runga i taua tikanga mahi tiaki.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Ki te whakaaro o tenei Komiti i muri iho i te whakarongonga ki nga kaiwhaki korero, kua penei te tukunga iho o a ratou whakaaro. I whakaturia a Meiha Keepa raua ko Warena Hunia hei kai-tiaki mo Horowhenua Poraka Nama 11. A e ki ana a Meiha Keepa ki tona whakaaro i peratia te whakataunga, a e penei ana te whakaaro i runga i te ture mo nga whakahaere e whakahaerea nei i naianei i roto i te Kooti Hupirimi ekore e ahei te whakaara i tetahi kupu mehemea e mana ana taua tiaki i naianei, a ki te whakaarahia he kupu ekore e whai mana. A i runga i enei tikanga me hanga he ture hei whakamana i te whakawa tuarua o taua Poraka kia ahei ai te wehewehe, ki nga tini tangata e whai paanga ana ki taua whenua.

20 o Akuhata, 1890.

No. 110, 1890.—Petition of Inuwaital de Thierry.

THE petitioner (a widow), an aboriginal native woman, and entitled to certain lands at Taranaki, held under "The West Coast Settlement (North Island) Act, 1880," and "The West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1881," but in the hands of the Public Trustee, prays that the land may be freed from all restrictions so as to enable her to dispose of what is useless, and thus save her home for herself and her family.

I have the honour to report as follows: That, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition be

referred to the Government for their favourable consideration.

26th August, 1890.

[Translation.]

No. 110, 1890.—Pukapuka-inoi a Inuwaitai Titere.

HE pouaru te kai-pitihana a he wahine Maori tuturu e whai take ana ki tetahi whenua i Taranaki e puritia ana i raro i "Te Ture Whakanohonoho o te Tai Hauauru, 1880," me "Te Ture Whakanohonoho Rahui o te Tai Hauauru, 1881," erangi kei te Kai-tiaki o te Katoa e whakahaere ana, a e inoi ana ia kia unuhia nga here kia ahei ai ia te hoko i te wahi kahore ona painga ki aia me te tiaki ano i te wahi e nohia nei e ia hei kainga mo tona whanau.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ripoata penei: Ki te whakaaro o tenei Komiti me tuku tenei pitihana

ki te Kawanatanga kia whiriwhiria e ratou.

26 o Akuhata, 1890.

No. 241, 1890.—Petition of Hone Topi Patuki and 25 Others.

Petitioners desire that the Native Land Court may be empowered to deal with Native wills.

I have the honour to report as follows: That the opinion of the Committee is that this petition be referred to the Government for their favourable consideration.

26th August, 1890.

TRANSLATION.

No. 241, 1890.—Pukapuka-inoi a Hone Topi Patuki me etahi atu e 25.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakamana te Kooti ki te whakawa i nga take ki nga wira.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: E whakaaro ana te Komiti me tuku tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia whiriwhiria e ratou.

26 o Akuhata, 1890.

No. 146, 1890.—Petition of Wepiha te Wainohu and 34 Others (No. 1).

Petitioners complain and pray for an alteration in the ferry-boat at Mohaka.

I have the honour to report as follows: That the Committee has no recommendation to make. 28th August, 1890.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 146, 1890.—Pukapuka-inoi a Wеріна те Wаілони me etahi atu e 34 (Nama 1). Е wнаг kupu ana nga kai-pitihana me te inoi kia whakarereketia te tikanga mo te mahi a te pere poti i Mohaka.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Kahore he kupu a te Komiti mo runga i tenei tono. 28 o Akuhata, 1890.