

I have the honour to report that the Committee have fully considered the allegations contained in the petition, and the evidence adduced; that they have examined the Chief Judge of the Native Land Court, and the Court documents in relation to the case, and also have heard counsel for all concerned; with the result that they find the statements of the petitioner to be correct. They therefore recommend that provision be made whereby the petitioners' case shall be unaffected by the partial rehearing ordered by the Chief Judge of the Native Land Court in the Mangaohane Block, except so far as Native rights may be judged to exist on the said rehearing. The Committee is also of opinion that such rehearing should be limited to those who made the applications upon which it was granted.

5th October, 1892.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 405.—Pukapuka-inoi a HOHEPA WHARANIHI TATAMU.

E ki ana te kai-pitihana na te he o te mahi a te Tiati Tumuaki o te Kooti Whenua Maori i runga i te porowhiunga hetanga i etahi tono whakawa tuarua i tau ai te mate ki aia i runga i te raruraru o ana take ki tetahi wahi whenua nui o Mangaohane Poraka i hokona e ia me ona taina. E inoi ana ia inaianei kia hanga he ture kia ahei te whakaoti me te whakatau i nga take o era Maori i porowhiua hetia a ratou tono, kia ahei ai hoki te whakatika i tona take me nga take a ona taina ki taua whenua.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Kua tino whiriwhiria e te Komiti nga korero o roto i te pitihana me nga korero ano hoki i korerotia ki te aroaro o te Komiti a kua tukuna a ratou patai ki te Tiati Tumuaki o te Kooti Whenua Maori me te whiriwhiri i nga korero o nga pukapuka o te Kooti mo runga i tenei keehi me te whakarongo ano hoki ki nga korero a nga roia mo nga taha katoa. Ko tona tukunga iho ka kitea e te Komiti e tika tonu ana nga korero o roto i te pitihana no reira ka tono ratou kia whakahaerea tetahi tikanga hei tiaki i nga take a te kai-pitihana i runga i te mea kihai i tino oti te whakawakanga tuarua i whakaaetia e te Tiati Tumuaki o te Kooti Whenua Maori mo runga i Mangaohane Poraka haunga i nga take a nga Maori i kitea e tika ana i runga i te whakawakanga tuarua. E whakaaro ana hoki te Komiti ko taua whakawa tuarua me mutu mai i nga tangata i tuku i nga tono a i whakaaetia ai hoki nga tono whakawa tuarua.

5 o Oketopa, 1892.

No. 434.—Petition of EMILY MARIA FULLOON (Mrs. BUCKWORTH).

PETITIONER prays for compensation to the extent of £500 for losses sustained through the confiscation of her father's land, and his murder at Whakatane whilst he was in the Government service.

I am directed to report that the Committee are of opinion that this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

5th October, 1892.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 434.—Pukapuka-inoi a EMIRI MARAEA MAUTARANUI (Mrs. BUCKWORTH).

E inoi ana te kai-pitihana kia tukuna tetahi ora ki aia kia tae ki te £500 mo tona mate i runga i te raupatutanga o nga whenua o tona matua me tona kohurutanga i Whakatane i aia e mahi ana i nga mahi Kawanatanga.

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

5 o Oketopa, 1892.

No. 89, 1891.—Petition of ARTHUR OWEN.

PETITIONER prays that full inquiry may be made into his claim to land on the north bank of the Mokau River.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion this petition should be referred to the Government, together with the Committee's report of 1888, with a view of ascertaining if the allegations put forward are such as to warrant further inquiry being made, and, if so, the Committee recommends that District Judge Kettle be appointed to conduct such inquiry.

5th October, 1892.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 89, 1891.—Pukapuka-inoi a ATA OENE.

E inoi ana te kai-pitihana kia tino uiuia ana take ki tetahi whenua kei te taha whakararo o te awa o Mokau.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: E whakaaro ana tenei Komiti me tuku tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga hui atu ki te ripoata a te Komiti o te tau 1888 kia ahei ai te mohio mehemea e tika ana nga korero kua tukua mai a mehemea hoki e whai take ana kia uiuia ano nga take a mehemea e tika ana e mea ana te Komiti me whakatu i a Tiati Ketera hei whakahaere i taua uiui.

5 o Oketopa, 1891.

No. 596.—Petition of WHAKATAU.

PETITIONER recounts his military services, and prays that some allowance may be made him now that he is old and unable to work.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

5th October, 1892.