I have the honour to report that the Committee recommend that an Order in Council should be issued, as indicated by the Public Trustee in his report to the Committee, to give effect to the prayer of the petitioners.

18th September, 1895.

[Translation.]

No. 274.—Pitihana a Hohepa Horomona me etahi atu toko whitu.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia mahia Ture kia ahei ai te Kai-tiaki mo te Katoa ki te utu ki a ratou

i nga moni e tiakina ana ma Ngatitoa.

E whai honore ana ahau ki te ripoata, ki te whakaaro a te Komiti me whakaputa he Ota a te Kaunihera, i runga i te aronga i whakaaturia nei e te Kai-tiaki mo te Katoa i roto i tana ripoata ki te Komiti, kia mana ai te inoi a nga kai-pitihana.

18 o Hepetema, 1895.

No. 257.—Petition of RANIERA ERIHANA and 4 Others.

Petitioners pray that a certain road near Waikanae may be altered.

I have the honour to report that the Committee recommend that this petition be referred to the Government for the purpose of having the matter settled by the Native Land Court.

18th September, 1895.

[Translation.]

No. 257.—Pitihana a Raniera Erihana me etahi atu toko wha.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakarereketia te takoto o etahi rori e tata ana ki Waikanae.

E whai honore ana ahau ki te ripoata ki te whakaaro a tenei Komiti me tuku atu tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia hoatu ai tenei putake ma te Kooti Whenua Maori e whakatau.

18 o Hepetema, 1895.

No. 273.—Petition of TE METE RAUKAWA and 60 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that certain sections near Tauranga be set aside for them, they being landless Natives.

I have the honour to report that the Committee recommend that the petition be referred to the Government for inquiry, and, if it is found that the allegations therein are true, some relief be granted to the petitioners.

18th September, 1895.

[Translation.]

No. 273.—Pitihana a TE METE RAUKAWA me etahi atu e ono tekau.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia rahuitia etahi tekihana e tata ana ki Tauranga i te mea he Maori

kore whenua ratou. E whai honore ana ahau ki te ripoata ki te whakaaro a te Komiti me tuku atu tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia uiuia, a ki te kitea he pono nga kupu o roto i te pitihana me hoatu he ora ki nga kai-pitihana.

18 o Hepetema, 1895.

No. 322.—Petition of TE RANUI OMAHURU and 212 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that their interests in the West Coast Settlement Reserves may be individualised,

to give them an opportunity of working their own lands.

I have the honour to report that the Committee recommend that the Public Trustee should, with the utmost publicity, invite applications from the Native owners who wish to occupy and cultivate their individual shares of the land, and, on receipt of such applications, give each applicant the opportunity of benefiting by the individualisation of his property, instead of being compelled, as at present, to live in a state of communism.

18th September, 1895.

[Translation.]

No. 322.—Pitihana a Te Ranui Omahuru me etahi atu e rua rau kotahi tekau ma rua.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana me wehewehe ki ia tangata o ratou whai-paanga i roto i nga Rahui o

te Tai Hauauru kia ahei ai ia tangata o ratou ki te mahi i tana piihi whenua. E whai honore ana ahau ki te ripoata, ki te whakaaro a te Komiti me tahuri te Kai-tiaki mo te Katoa ki te tuku i etahi panui, e kitea ana e te katoa, ki nga Maori no ratou te whenua, ara ki nga mea o ratou e hiahia ana ki te mahi i o ratou piihi i roto i aua whenua, a ma aua panui e whakaatu ka taea e ratou te tono e piihi whenua mo ratou, a hei te taenga atu o aua tono ki te Kai-tıaki mo te Katoa me whakatuwhera e ia he huarahi e whiwhi ai ia kai-tono i etahi painga mona i runga i te wehenga o tona whenua ki a ia, a i te mea hoki he pai ake tenei ritenga i nga tikanga e noho huihui nei nga tangata i o ratou whenua.

18 o Hepetema, 1895.

No. 107.—Petition of APIHAI TANGO and 107 Others.

Petitioners complain that they have been injured by a certain decree of the Validation Court in regard to the Whangara Block. They pray that the matter may be inquired into and readjusted.

I have the honour to report that, having heard the parties interested, the Committee are of opinion that none of the allegations of the petitioners have been substantiated, and they therefore have no recommendation to make, more especially as it was represented to the Committee that, if any slight error had been made in fixing the southern boundaries of the leasehold land, Mr. Seymour was quite willing to allow certain concessions to the Natives.

8th October, 1895