ratou kua whai take ratou ki Parangarahu No. 3, a e inoi ana ratou kia whakaarohia to ratou mate. Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me tuku atu tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia whiriwhiria paitia.

10 o Oketopa, 1899.

NATIVE RESERVES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Native Affairs Committee, to whom was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has directed me to report that it has duly considered the same, and is of opinion it should be allowed to proceed without amendment.

11th October, 1899.

TRANSLATION.

TE PIRE WHAKATIKATIKA I TE TURE RAHUI MAORI.

I TUKUNA mai ki te Komiti mo nga Mea Maori te Pire e mau iho nei te ingoa, a kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, kua ata whiriwhiria e te Komiti te Pire a ki to ratou whakaaro me tuku kia whakahaerea kaua e whakatikatikaina.

11 o Oketopa, 1899.

MAORI LANDS ADMINISTRATION BILL.

The Native Affairs Committee, to whom was referred the above-mentioned Bill, has directed me to report that it has duly considered the same, and is of opinion it should be allowed to proceed, subject to the amendments as shown on copy of the Bill attached hereto.

18th October, 1899.

TRANSLATION.

I TUKUNA mai ki te Komiti mo nga Mea Maori te Pire e mau iho nei te ingoa, a kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, kua ata whiriwhiria e te Komiti te Pire a ki to ratou whakaaro me tuku kia whakahaerea i runga ano i nga menema e whakaaturia ana e te tauira o taua Pire kua whakamaua nei ki tenei ripoata.

18 o Oketopa, 1899.

FINAL REPORT.

I have the honour to report that the Native Affairs Committee held its final meeting yesterday

morning.

Including the 47 petitions held over from last session, the Committee had before it 154 petitions. Of these, 64 were fully considered and reported on; the remaining 90 are unavoidably held over. A list of the unconsidered petitions is appended hereto.

The following Bills were referred to the Committee and duly reported on, viz.: The Native Reserves Act Amendment Bill, and the Maori Lands Administration Bill.

In connection with a number of petitions relating to the last-named important measure a large amount of evidence was taken, which has been printed, and will appear in the Appendices to (See I.-3a.) the Journals.

The under-noted papers were also referred to the Committee for consideration, and I am directed to report that there is no reason to recommend any interference with the decisions of the

Validation and Native Land Courts contained therein:

List of Papers referred.

G. 26: Decrees of Validation Court re Manawatu-Kukutauaki 7D, Section 3. G. 27: Decrees of Validation Court re Taoroa No. 2A and Piritarau 1B. G. 28: Decrees of Validation Court re land at Doubtless Bay, 373 L.C. G. 85: Return of Decrees made at Wellington. G. 90: Return of Decrees made at Auckland. G. 144: Decrees of Validation Court re Manawatu 4p, or Tiratu Block. G. 201: Decrees of Validation Court re Tawapata South Nos. 3-7 Blocks. G. 231: Order of Native Land Court re Waipapa Block. G. 235: Decree of Validation Court re Maraetaha No. 2, Section 5.

19th October, 1899.

LIST of PETITIONS undealt with.

No.	Petitioners.						By whom presented.
1897.							
269	Thomas Thoms						Mr. Heke.
276	Parahiku Waiporo and 70 Oth	ers					Hon. Sir G. M. O'Rorke
350	M. K. Kapukai and Another				.,		Mr. Heke.
358	Ngawaina Hanikamu						Mr. Parata.
1898.	,						
33	W. and S. Gower and 16 Other	rs					Mr. G. Hutchison.
69	Renata Tamehana and 6 Other	rs		••			Mr. Wi Pere.
73	Wiremu Hoete						Mr. Kaihau.
114	Iriwhata and 3 Others					• •	Mr. Kaihau.
130	Pera Kati and 151 Others						Mr. Kaihau.
131	Te Area and 129 Others						Mr. Kaibau.
132	Iriwhata and 7 Others						Mr. Kaihau.
143	James McLellan		• •				Mr. Lawry.
239	Irimina Tutua Hapuku and 36	5 Others					Mr. Kaihau.
243	Te Hau Waitere and 3 Others			••	• •		Mr. Kaihau.