

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that, as there are exceptional circumstances connected with this case, this petition should be referred to the Government for the purpose of having such steps taken as will afford the petitioners an opportunity of appealing against the decision of the Native Land Court as to the ownership of the block in question.

30th August, 1900.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 178.—Pitihana a NGARERE PAMARIKI me etahi atu.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia tu he whakawa tuarua mo Matarakau, Wharekaui No. 1 Block, kei nga Motu o Wharekaui.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti, i te mea e tau ana etahi tino tikanga ki tenei keehi, me tuku atu tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia whakahaerea ai etahi tikanga e tuwhera ai he huarahi ki nga kai-pitihana e taea ai e ratou te tuku piira mo te whakatau a te Kooti Whenua Maori mo runga i nga whai paanga ki taua poraka.

30 o Akuhata, 1900.

No. 99, 1899.—Petition of PETERA TE RANGIHIROA and 2 Others.

PETITIONERS allege that Paewahie Block, part of Waikari Mohaka, has been wrongfully taken from them. They pray for restitution.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that this petition should be referred to the Government for inquiry.

30th August, 1900.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 99, 1899.—Pitihana a PETERA TE RANGIHIROA me etahi atu tokorua.

E KI ana nga kai-pitihana, i tangohia hetia i a ratou a Paewahie Poraka, wahanga o Waikari Mohaka, a e inoi ana ratou kia whakahokia taua whenua ki a ratou.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me tuku atu tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia uiuia.

30 o Akuhata, 1900.

No. 269.—Petition of WHAARO KAITANGATA and 401 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the King-country may be proclaimed a district wherein alcoholic liquors may be sold.

I am directed to report that, the subject of this petition being a matter of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

30th August, 1900.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 269.—Pitihana a WHAARO KAITANGATA me etahi atu e wha rau ma tahi.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakaputaina he panuitanga hei whakatuwhera i te hoko waipiro ki roto i te Rohepotae.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, i te mea e pa ana te take o tenei pitihana ki nga tikanga whakahaere a te Kawanatanga, na reira kaore kau a te Komiti kupu.

30 o Akuhata, 1900.

No. 74, 1899.—Petition of T. H. SMITH.

PETITIONER complains of the treatment he has received in reference to his claims in connection with certain land in the Maketu district, and prays for settlement.

I am directed to report that the Committee find the petitioner's case is a hard one, and although his actions in the matter have not been of a businesslike nature he is entitled to consideration; it is therefore recommended that, in final settlement of all his claims, the Government should give him a free grant of the 600 acres of the Maungarangi Block referred to in the offer of settlement by the Government, as per letter addressed to petitioner dated 14th September, 1899.

11th September, 1900.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 74, 1899.—Pitihana a T. H. SMITH.

E AMUAMU ana te kai-pitihana mo nga mahi i mahia ki a ia i runga i ana kereeme mo etahi whenua i te Takiwa o Maketu, a e inoi ana kia whakatau aua kereeme.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, kua kitea e te Komiti he tino mate to te kai-pitihana, a ahakoa kaore i haere ana whakahaere mo ana kereeme i runga i nga huarahi matau, otira e tika ana kia whakaarohia ia; na reira ka whai kupu te Komiti, ara, hei taunga a hei otinga rawatanga mo ana kereeme katoa, me hoatu noa atu ki te kai-pitihana, i runga i te utu kore, e te Kawanatanga nga 600 eka o Maungarangi Poraka, i whakahuatia nei i roto i te reta whakaatu i nga huarahi e whakaotia ai aua kereeme, i tuhia nei e te Kawanatanga ki te kai-pitihana i te 14 o Hepetema, 1899.

11 o Hepetema, 1900.

No. 208.—Petition of KAAHU HUATARE.

PETITIONER prays for rehearing as to succession to Wahanui Huatare (deceased), in order that the right successors may be appointed.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend this petition should be referred to the Government for inquiry, and that such inquiry be made by a Judge of the Supreme Court.

11th September, 1900.