

No. 155, 1902.—Petition of HOHEPA PENEAMINE and 23 Others.

PETITIONERS object to a water-channel which is being cut across their lands in Waihoa district, South Island.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition should be referred to the Government, with a view to having the interests of the Natives properly protected.

23rd September, 1902.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 155, 1902.—Pitihana a HOHEPA PENEAMINE me etahi atu e rua tekau ma toru.

E WHAKAHE ana nga kai-pitihana ki te korere wai e karia nei ma runga i o ratou whenua i te takiwa o Waihoa, Te Waipounamu.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me tuku tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga me te mea atu kia tiakina tikatia nga paanga o nga Maori ki taua whenua.

23 o Hepetema, 1902.

Nos. 241 and 619, 1901; and 433, 1902.—Petitions of HAKIAHA TAWHIAO and 6 Others, MIRIAMA KAHUKAREWAO, and TAONUI HIKAKA and 25 Others.

PETITIONERS pray for rehearing in connection with the Whatitokorua and Pukuweka Blocks.

I am directed to report that, as these petitions arise mainly out of a question of tribal boundaries, the Committee recommends that the matter should be referred to the Government in order that steps may be taken to decide the said boundaries, and thus settle the individual differences involved.

23rd September, 1902.

[TRANSLATION.]

Nos. 241 me 619, 1901; me 433, 1902.—Pitihana a HAKIAHA TAWHIAO me etahi atu toko-onu MIRIAMA KAHUKAREWAO, me TAONUI HIKAKA me etahi atu e rua tekau ma rima.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakaaetia he whakawa tuarua mo Whatitokorua me Pukuweka Poraka.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, i te mea i putake mai enei pitihana i runga i nga tautohe-tohe mo nga rohe i waenganui i etahi iwi, na reira ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me tuku atu tenei take ki te Kawanatanga kia whakahaerea ai he tikanga e whakataua ai aua rohe, a hei reira whakatautau ai nga paanga tangata i uru ki tenei take.

23 o Hepetema, 1902.

No. 439, 1902.—Petition of WAIMAPUNA MOERUA and Others.

PETITIONERS pray for rehearing in connection with the Taumatotara Block.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition should be referred to the Government, with a view to having the allegations contained therein inquired into by the Magistrate of the district wherein the land is situated.

24th September, 1902.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 439, 1902.—Pitihana a WAIMAPUNA MOERUA me etahi atu.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakawakia ano a Taumatotara Poraka.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me tuku atu tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga, kia uiuia ai nga take e noho nei i roto i te pitihana e te Kai-whakawa Tuturu o te takiwa kei reira te whenua.

24 o Hepetema, 1902.

No. 477, 1902.—Petition of CHRISTOPHER N. FERNIE and Another, of Tongoio, Hawke's Bay.

PETITIONERS allege that owing to the passing of "The Native Land Claims Adjustment and Lands Amendment Act, 1901," the survey of their land, the Arapawanui Block, has been declared void. They pray for a refund of £195 13s. 6d. to cover the cost of same.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

29th September, 1902.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 477, 1902.—Pitihana a CHRISTOPHER N. FERNIE me tetahi atu, o Tongoio, Haaki Pei.

E KI ana nga kai-pitihana i runga i te paahitanga o "Te Ture Whakatau Kereme Whenua Maori Whakatikatika hoki i nga Ture Whenua Maori, 1901," kua whakakorea te ruri o to ratou whenua o Arapawanui Poraka, e inoi ana ratou kia whakahokia atu te moni e £195 13s. 6d. hei whakaea i te utu o taua ruri.

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

29 o Hepetema, 1902.

No. 479, 1902.—Petition of TAITUHA HAPE and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the question of validity of lands passing under Native wills may be inquired into and set at rest.

I am directed to report that the Committee reiterates the recommendation made on similar petitions in 1899--viz., that a case should be stated as soon as possible by the Appellate Court for submission to the Supreme Court, in order to test the validity of Native wills in regard to Native lands under all classes of restriction.

29th September, 1902.