

- (71.) Notice to produce to Henare Kaihau, dated 5th November
- (72.) Notice to produce to Parr and Blomfield, dated 5th November
- (73.) Subpoena to attend to Tukere Teanga, dated 5th November
- (74.) Subpoena to attend to J. H. Phillips, dated 5th November
- (75.) Subpoena to attend to Horomona Watarauhi, dated 5th November
- (76.) Telegram from Pepene Eketone, dated 7th November
- (77.) Telegram to Pepene Eketone, dated 7th November
- (78.) Telegram from W. H. Grace, dated 7th November
- (79.) Telegram from E. C. Blomfield, dated 7th November
- (80.) Letter from C. E. Major, dated 6th November
- (81.) Telegram from W. C. Whitlock, dated 7th November
- (82.) Memo. from Post and Telegraph Department, dated 7th November
- (83.) Telegram from John St. Clair, dated 7th November.
- (84.) Telegram from Jackson Palmer, dated 7th November
- (85.) Telegram from Tukere Teanga, dated 8th November

The Committee then heard further evidence.

Mr Hine, M.P., with his counsel, Mr M. Myers, and Mr. Walter Symes, with his counsel, Mr C. P. Skerrett, K.C. (with him Mr Sharp), attended.

(15.) Frederick Bayly, sheep-farmer, Tututawa, was sworn, and examined by Mr M. Myers, Mr. Skerrett, K.C., and the members of the Committee.

(16.) Walter Symes, farmer, Pirongia, made a declaration, produced exhibits marked GG and HH, and was examined by Mr Skerrett, K.C., Mr M. Myers, and the members of the Committee.

Strangers withdrew, and the Committee deliberated.

The Right Hon Sir J. G. Ward asked that Sir George Clifford, Bart., and the Hon. Dr Findlay be called in connection with allegation No. 7.

Resolved, on the motion of the Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, That the Committee adjourn until 5.30 p.m. this afternoon, when the examination of Walter Symes will be continued.

Resolved, on the motion of the Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, That the Committee meet on Friday, the 11th day of November next, at 10.30 a.m.

The Committee then adjourned until 5.30 p.m.

The Committee resumed at 5.30 p.m. in the Prime Minister's room.

Walter Symes was further examined by Mr Skerrett, K.C., and the members of the Committee.

Mr M. Myers asked that allegation numbered 7 be taken next Friday.

Mr. M. Myers asked that Mr Griffin and Mr Wilson be requested to attend on Friday next, and that Mr W. C. Kensington, Under-Secretary for Lands, be subpoenaed to attend and produce documents which were asked for from Mr T. W. Fisher.—Agreed to.

Resolved, That it is not necessary for the members of the Committee, with the exception of the Right Hon Sir J. G. Ward, to correct their questions to witnesses.

Resolved, on the motion of the Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, That the Chairman ask the House for an extension of time in which to report, and also to validate the proceedings of the Committee since the 29th day of October to the present date.

Resolved, on the motion of the Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, That the Committee take allegation No. 7 next Friday.

Resolved, on the motion of the Chairman, That the Committee do now adjourn until Wednesday, the 9th November next.

The Committee adjourned accordingly

WEDNESDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER, 1910.

The Committee met at 10.30 a.m., pursuant to notice.

Present Mr Hanan (Chairman), Mr Allen, Mr Buchanan, Mr Fraser, Mr Graham, Mr Massey, Hon. Mr Millar, Mr Myers, Mr Reed, Right Hon Sir J. G. Ward.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

The Clerk read correspondence marked 86 to 92, as follows:—

- (86.) Telegram to W. E. Griffin, dated 9th November
- (87.) Telegram to A. L. Wilson, dated 9th November
- (88.) Telegram to Hemingway, dated 9th November
- (89.) Telegram to John St. Clair, dated 9th November
- (90.) Telegram to Jackson Palmer, dated 9th November
- (91.) Letter from William Wilson, dated 7th November
- (92.) Letter from C. P. Skerrett, K.C., dated 9th November

Resolved, That the request contained in Mr Skerrett's letter marked 92 be acceded to.

The Committee then heard further evidence.

Mr Hine, M.P., with his counsel, Mr M. Myers, and Mr Skerrett, K.C. (with him Mr Blomfield), attended.

(17.) William T. Jennings, M.P., was sworn, and examined by Mr M. Myers and the members of the Committee.

(18.) William Harrington Atack, manager of the Press Association, Wellington, was sworn, and examined by the members of the Committee.