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NEW ZEALAND.

NATIVE LAND AMENDMENT AND NATIVE LAND CLAIMS ADJUSTMENT ACT, 1916.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON PETITION No. 342 OF 1915, FOR CANCELLATION OF AN ORDER APPOINTING A SUCCESSOR TO PETITIONER *RE* HER INTEREST IN RUNANGA 1B BLOCK.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly in pursuance of Section 24 of the Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1916.

Office of the Chief Judge, Native Land Court, Wellington, 23rd May, 1917.

Memorandum for the Hon. the Native Minister, Wellington.

PURSUANT to the provisions of section 24 of the Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1916, I have the honour to transmit herewith the report of Charles Edward MacCormick, Esq., a Judge of the Native Land Court, on petition No. 342 of 1915, of Rangimaharahara Rore and others, praying for cancellation of an order appointing a successor to her interest in Runanga No. 1B Block, and to recommend that the purchase-money (apparently £102) paid to Raihana Waipapa in error be placed on the supplementary estimates for payment to the petitioner, Rangimaharahara Rore.

JACKSON PALMER,
Chief Judge.

Native Land Court, Taupo, 14th April, 1917.

SIR,—

Runanga 1B Block.

Succession to Heni Rangimaharahara (deceased): I have the honour to report that, in terms of your direction to the Court under section 24/1916, to inquire and report as to petition No. 342 of 1915, by Rangimaharahara Rore and others, praying for cancellation of succession order to above person's interest, I held inquiry here to-day. Following is a copy of my minutes of what took place:—

“Taupo, Saturday, 14th April, 1917, 9.30 a.m.

“Present: C. E. MacCormick, Judge; A. P. Grace, clerk and interpreter.

“Taupo M.B. 28/347.

“RUNANGA 1B. Heni Rangimaharahara (deceased). Petition of Rangimaharahara Rore, No. 342 of 1915, praying for cancellation of succession order. Inquiry directed by C. Judge, in terms of section 24/1916.

“No appearance of petitioner. Raihania Waipapa, the successor appointed 20th July, 1912 (Rot. M.B. 57, p. 174), is present, and states that Heni Rangimaharahara was his grandmother (minutes say the successor was a child of deceased).

“*To Court:* My grandmother was not related to Whitimoa Rore. The latter was a *tungane* of Rangimaharahara Rore, the petitioner.

“*Court:* Then that appears to settle the matter. Taupo M.B. 4, p. 16, shows that Heni Rangimaharahara came into the title as successor to Whitimoa Rore, and it is therefore plain that a mistake has been made.