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NATIVE LAND AMENDMENT AND NATIVE LAND CLAIMS ADJUSTMENT ACT, 1927.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON PETITION No. 291 OF 1927 OF EMARE PORAU MATI AND
OTHERS RELATIVE TO UTUHINA BLOCK.

*Presented to Parliament in pursuance of the Provisions of Section 63 of the Native Land Amendment
and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1927.*

Native Department, Wellington, 24th September, 1928.

Petition No. 291 of 1927.—Utuhina 3d 4 3f Blocks.

PURSUANT to section 63 of the Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1927, I herewith forward report by the Native Land Court.

I recommend that jurisdiction be given to the Court to inquire and determine if any persons other than the present owners should be admitted into the title, with power to include any so found.

R. N. JONES, Chief Judge.

The Right Hon. the Native Minister, Wellington.

In the matter of the Utuhina Block and of the petition No. 291/1927 by Emare Poraumati and others: and in the matter of a reference under section 63 of the Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1927, of such petition to the Native Land Court for inquiry and report.

SIR,—

Native Land Court, Rotorua, 20th April, 1928.

Upon the above reference I have to report as follows:—

The inquiry was held in open Court at Rotorua on the 19th March last and following day. The petitioners were represented by Wi Karena Wi Hapi. Ruihi Ratema, one of the owners of one of the portions of the land affected by the petition, also appeared before the Court, but she did not oppose the petition.

At the outset the conductor for the petitioners stated that the petition affected only Utuhina No. 3d and 3f Blocks. Particulars of the titles to these two blocks are as under:—

Utuhina No. 3d.

Area: 1 acre 2 roods 30 perches. Title: Partition order dated 19th December, 1914. Owners: Mere Ratema (f.) and Ruihi Ratema (f.), equally. Block is surveyed and partition order signed, but not registered in Land Transfer Office. No alienation.