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NEW ZEALAND.

NATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF).

NGA KUPU A TE KOMITI O TE RUNANGA MO NGA MEA MAORI.

COLONEL TRIMBLE, CHAIRMAN.

No. 22 of 1880.—Petition of PARUWHERE and 4 Others.

PETITIONERS complain that a piece of land called Tamariro, in the Mataraka Block, has been wrongfully withheld from them by Government, and they pray that the land may be returned to them.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That the Committee has no recommendation to make.

18th June, 1880.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 22 of 1880.—Te Pukapuka-inoi a PARUWHERE me etahi tokowha.

E MEA ana nga Kai-pitihana i puritia hetia e te Kawanatanga i a ratou tetahi pihi whenua i roto i te poraka o Mataraka ko Tamariro, na e inoi ana ratou kia whakahokia ano taua whenua ki a ratou.

Kua whakahau ahau kia ki penei:—

Kaore he kupu whakahau a te Komiti.

18 Hune, 1880.

No. 23 of 1880.—Petition of WIREMU PARATENE TARAIO and Others.

PETITIONERS state that they are the Law Committee of Pikiāo. They pray that they may have power to adjudicate upon their own blocks of land with the full powers of the Native Land Court, and further, that the Treaty of Waitangi be carried out.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That, as the whole question of sales of Native lands is now under the consideration of Parliament, this Committee cannot offer any recommendation.

18th June, 1880.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 23 of 1880.—Te Pukapuka-inoi a WIREMU PARATENE TARAIO me etahi.

E KI ana nga Kai-pitihana ko ratou te Komiti hikiture o Pikiāo. E inoi ana ratou kia tau kia ratou he mana whakawa i o ratou poraka whenua, a ko nga mana katoa o te Kooti Whenua Maori ki a ratou, me te Tiriti o Waitangi kia whakahaerea.

Kua whakahau ahau kia ki penei:—

Notemea ko nga hoko whenua Maori kei te whakaarohia i naianei e te Paremete kaore he kupu a tenei Komiti.

18 Hune, 1880.

No. 24 of 1880.—Petition of ERU PATUONE and ANI TAIURU.

THE petitioners state that, on the 8th January, 1879, the Native Land Court sat at Rawene to investigate claims to the ownership of land called Omapere, that the claimants belonged to four hapus, that the claim of the petitioners was rejected, that twice they applied to the Chief Judge of the Native Land Court for a rehearing, but were refused. That, having been refused a rehearing, they had entered into possession and dug gum, and that there are now disputes as to the ownership. Petitioners pray that Parliament may order a rehearing of the case.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That the real cause of dispute appears to be connected with certain eel-weirs, and, as the land on which the eel-weirs are situated can be brought before the Native Land Court at a future sitting by the parties interested, the Committee cannot recommend any action to be taken in the matter.

18th June, 1880.

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