

No. 8, Sess. I.—Petition of ANARU TE KAKAHI TE URUNGATU and 42 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that a piece of land at Waiapu called Te Rahui, which was given for a site for a Magistrate's residence, and never used for that purpose, may be returned to them.

I am directed to report that the Committee are not prepared to interfere in this matter, which should, in their opinion, be mutually arranged between the Government and the Natives.

16th November, 1897.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 8, Sess. I.—Pitihana a ANARU TE KAKAHI TE URUNGATU me etahi atu e wha tekau ma rua. E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana me whakahoki ki a ratou tetahi whenua kei Waiapu, tona ingoa ko Te Rahui, i hoatu i mua hei tuunga mo te Whare o te Kai-whakawa, i te mea kihai nga tikanga i hoatu ai i mahia ki runga ki taua whenua.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, kaore te Komiti e pokanoa ki tenei mea, notemea ki ta ratou whakaaro me riro tenei putake ma te Kawanatanga ratou ko nga Maori e ata whakariterite pai.

16 o Noema, 1897.

No. 135.—Petition of WHAREMAHIHI HOTU.

PETITIONER prays for another hearing in regard to Pokuru Block, part of Rohe-potae.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that this petition be referred to the Government, calling attention to the report of 9th July, 1896, on a similar petition (No. 462 of 1895, Henare Tikitini and 11 others, I.—3, p. 5, 1896), and recommending that that report should be given effect to.

16th November, 1897.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 135.—Pitihana a WHAREMAHIHI HOTU.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakaaetia ano he whakawa mo Pokuru Poraka, wahi o Rohe-potae.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me tuku atu tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga me te tohutohu atu ano i te ripoata o te iwa o nga ra o Hurae, 1896, mo runga i tetahi pitihana penei ano te ahua (No. 462 tau 1895, Henare Tikitini me etahi atu tekau ma tahi, I.—3, p. 5, 1896), me te whaikupu atu kia whakaritea taua ripoata.

16 o Noema, 1897.

No. 138.—Petition of HENARE WERAHIKO.

PRAYING for compensation for land and ballasting taken for railway purposes between Ngongotaha and Te Koutu Pa, Rotorua District.

I am directed to report that the Committee finds this question is awaiting inquiry by the Native Land Court; they therefore recommend that the Government be requested to have the matter pushed forward in order that a settlement may be come to without delay.

16th November, 1897.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 138.—Pitihana a HENARE WERAHIKO.

E INOI ana kia utua ratou mo nga whenua i riro me nga kirikiri whakapuru i te raina o te Reriwe, i waenganui o Ngongotaha me Te Koutu Pa, Takiwa o Rotorua.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, kua kitea e te Komiti kei te ata waiho tenei putake ma te Kooti Whenua Maori e uiui, na reira ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me tuku he kupu ki te Kawanatanga kia tere te whakahaere o tenei mea a kaua e whakaroina tona whakaotinga.

16 o Noema, 1897.

No. 144.—Petition of TANA TAINGAKAWA TE WAHAROA and 83 Others.

PETITIONERS pray for certain reforms and laws relating to Native affairs.

I am directed to report that, as this petition deals with a matter of policy, the Committee has no recommendation to make; but they are of opinion that Mr. Kaihau should be afforded every opportunity of bringing forward the Bill covering the subject now before the House.

25th November, 1897.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 144.—Pitihana a TANA TAINGAKAWA TE WAHAROA me etahi atu e waru tekau ma toru. E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakatikaina nga ture e pa ana ki te taha Maori.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, i te mea e pa ana tenei pitihana ki nga tikanga whakahaere a te Kawanatanga, kaore kau he kupu a te Komiti; engari ki to ratou whakaaro me tuku kia whakahaerea e Henare Kaihau tana Pire, e takoto nei i te aroaro o te Whare, i te mea e kapi ana i taua Pire nga putake katoa o te pitihana.

25 o Noema, 1897.