No. 205.—Petition of RAMARI HEREWINI.

PETITIONER alleges that land called Whakarewa, at Motueka, Nelson, was given to the Church of England for school purposes on the understanding that it should be returned when not used. The school having ceased to exist, petitioner prays that the land be returned to the Maoris.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that legislation be passed to restore

the land, as prayed, to the Natives.

9th December, 1897.

[Translation.]

No. 205.—Pitihana a RAMARI HEREWINI.

E кı ana te kai-pitihana, ko tetahi whenua tona ingoa ko Whakarewa, kei Motueka, Whakatu, i hoatu ki te Hahi o Ingarangi hei mahi kura i runga i te tikanga me whakahoki taua wahi ki nga tangata nona ina kore e whakahaerea nga mahi kura ki runga. I te mea kua kore taua kura, e inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakahokia taua whenua ki nga Maori.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me mahi he ture hei whaka-

hoki i te whenua ki nga Maori i runga i ta ratou inoi.

9 o Tihema, 1897.

No. 9.—Petition of Hanita Papoto and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that a rehearing may be granted in regard to the ownership of Tauhei Block, Parish of Taupiri.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

10th December, 1897.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 9.—Pitihana a Hanita Papoto me etahi atu.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakaaetia he whakawa tuarua kia kitea ai kowai nga tangata no ratou a Tauhei Poraka, Parihi o Taupiri.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me tuku atu tenei pitihana ki

te Kawanatanga kia whiriwhiria.

10 o Tihema, 1897.

No. 89.—Petition of HARIATA PUAO and 12 Others.

PETITIONERS pray for legislation to enable them to obtain a rehearing in connection with Wharekawa No. 5 Block.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make with regard to this petition.

10th December, 1897.

[Translation.]

No. 89.—Pitihana a Hariata Puao me etahi atu tekau ma rua.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia mahia he ture kia taea ai te whakawa tuarua o Wharekawa Nama 5 Poraka.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, kaore kau he kupu a te Komiti mo tenei pitihana.

10 o Tihema, 1897.

No. 94.—Petition of REWI MAAKA.

PETITIONER alleges that the interests of his grandfather in Te Akau Block, Putataka No. 3, have been wrongfully awarded to one Kararaina Kahukoka instead of to himself and brothers. He prays for redress.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make with regard to this petition.

10th December, 1897.

[Translation.]

No. 94.—Pitihana a Rewi Maaka.

Екг ana te kai-pitihana ko nga whai-paanga o tona koroua ki Te Akau Poraka, Putataka Nama 3, kua whakataua hetia kia Kararaina Kahukoka a kaore i whakataua ki a ratou ko ona tuakana.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti kaore kau he kupu a te Komiti mo runga i tenei pitihana.

10 o Tihema, 1897.

REPORT ON THE HOROWHENUA BLOCK ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

I am directed to report that the Native Affairs Committee, to whom was referred the abovementioned Bill, have duly considered the same, and are of opinion that it should be allowed to proceed without any amendment.

13th December, 1897.