No. 261.—Petition of TEWI KINGI and 11 Others.

PETITIONER prays that legislation may be passed to enable a rehearing of the partitioning of

Lot 66, Waipa Survey District.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, petitioners have a just claim for consideration, and it is recommended that the Government should bring in the necessary legislation to give the relief prayed for.

13th October, 1900.

[Translation.]

No. 261.—Pitihana a Tewi Kingi me etahi atu tekau ma tahi.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia paahitia he ture kia taea ai te whakawa tuarua o te whakawa roherohe o Rota 66, Takiwa Ruri o Waipa.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti, e tika ana kia whiriwhiria te kereeme a nga kai-pitihana, a me whakahaere e te Kawanatanga he ture hei whakaora i te mate e inoitia nei.

13 o Oketopa, 1900.

No. 452.—Petition of MIHI HETEKIA.

PETITIONER prays that the partition of Kaiti No. 313 Block be cancelled, and the land made absolutely inalienable.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that the petition be referred to the

Government for consideration.

13th October, 1900.

[Translation.]

No. 452.—Pitihana a Mihi Hetekia.

E inoi ana te kai-pitihana kia whakakorea nga wawahanga o Kaiti No. 313 Poraka, a kia tino hereherea te tuku o taua whenua.

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

13 o Oketopa, 1900.

No. 51.—Petition of Patihona Takaitemarama.

PETITIONER prays that legislation may be passed to enable him to appeal against the partition of the Manawatu-Kukutauaki Block as it now stands.

I am directed to report that, having heard evidence on both sides of the question, the Committee are of opinion the Government should cause inquiry to be made into the matter.

13th October, 1900.

[Translation.]

No. 51.—Pitihana a Patihona Takaitemarama.

E inoi ana te kai-pitihana kia paahitia he ture kia ahei ai ia ki te piira i te wawahanga o Manawatu-Kukutauaki Poraka e mana nei i naianei.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, i te mea kua ata whakarongona nga korero a nga taha e rua, heoi ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me whakahau e te Kawanatanga kia ujula tenei mea.

13 o Oketopa, 1900.

No. 650.—Petition of T. Burd and 195 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the licensing law may be amended to allow the issue of licenses to sell alcoholic liquors in the King-country.

I am directed to report that, this petition being on a matter of policy, the Committee has no

recommendation to make.

13th October, 1900.

[Translation.]

No. 650.—Pitihana a T. Burd me etahi atu kotahi rau e iwa tekau ma rima.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakatikatikaina te ture tuku raihana hokohoko waipiro kia taea ai te whakaputa etahi raihana hokohoko waipiro mo te takiwa o te Rohepotae.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, i te mea e pa ana tenei pitihana ki nga tikanga whakahaere a te Kawanatanga, na reira kaore kau a te Komiti kupu.

13 o Oketopa, 1900.

FINAL REPORT.

I have the honour to report that the Native Affairs Committee held its final meeting this morning. With the ninety petitions held over from previous sessions, the Committee had before it 159 petitions. Of these, seventy-six were fully considered and reported on; the remaining eightythree are unavoidably held over, and a list of the same is appended hereto.

The Committee also had referred to it the Maori Councils Bill, the Maori Lands Administration Bill, and the Native Lands Control and Administration Bill, all of which were gone through

and duly reported to the House.

Before rising the following resolution was unanimously agreed to, viz.:-

"That, owing to the very long hours worked by the Chairman as well as the close attention required, the Committee recommends the Government should favourably consider the advisability of remunerating him for the arduous work he has performed so satisfactorily in connection with Native affairs.