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NEW ZEALAND.

NATIVE LAND AMENDMENT AND NATIVE LAND
CLAIMS ADJUSTMENT ACT, 1920.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON PETITION NO. 31 OF 1919, OF HARATA TUWHAKARARO,
RELATIVE TO THE SUCCESSORS TO WHAREMATANGI (DECEASED.)

*Presented to Parliament in pursuance of Section 31 of the Native Land Amendment and Native Land
Claims Adjustment Act, 1920.*

Native Department, Wellington, 29th August, 1923.

Petition No. 31 of 1919—Wharematangi, deceased (Orimupiko Block).

THE report of the Native Land Court is sent you conjoined with that of Petition No. 339 of 1919 of the same petitioner.

You will note that the petitioner is dead, and no one has attempted to prosecute the matter on her behalf.

The Wharematangi mentioned in the petition is no doubt the same as Matiu Wharematangi, to whom succession was granted on the 10th October, 1894. One half of this succession was granted to the acknowledged son of deceased, and has no doubt gone to the rightful successors. The other half was ostensibly granted to another child of deceased. It is now admitted this was not a child of deceased, and probably the next-of-kin could attack the order as being obtained by fraud.

Under these circumstances, and pursuant to section 32 of the Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1920, I recommend that no further action be taken.

The Hon. the Native Minister, Wellington.

R. N. JONES, Chief Judge.

The Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1920.

Taranaki 34/337.

In the Native Land Court of New Zealand, Aotea District.—In the matter of the Petition No. 31 of 1919, of Harata Tuwhakararo, praying for an inquiry into various successions to Wharematangi (deceased) referred to the Court under the provisions of section 32 of the above-mentioned Act.

At a sitting of the Court held at Hawera on the 4th day of July, 1923, the Court made inquiry into the above matter, and reports as follows:—

1. Upon the matter being called on, Mr. S. J. Jackson, who had previously represented the petitioner, reported to the Court that the petitioner was now dead, and that he could not proceed with the matter.

2. The matter has been advertised in the *Gazette* and *Kahiti* on at least five occasions without any one coming forward to give evidence.

3. The Court accordingly recommends that no further action be taken in the matter.

As witness the hand of the Judge and the seal of the Court.

F. O. V. ACHESON, Judge.

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