

Ki te ki a Tatana i whakaaturia ano aua kupu e ia ki a Henare Rata, i whakaae ano taua H. Rata i whakaaturia ano aua kupu engari ko te take i kore ai ai e whakaae he kore no aua kupu i tuhia ki roto i te pukapuka o te hoko.

Heoi kua whakaaetia e Henare Rata kia hanga tetahi pukapuka hei whakahokinga i nga rakau me nga wahie ki te Kaitono.

1. Na ki taku whakaaro e tika ana te tono a Tareha, kihai i whakaotia nga tikanga i whakaaetia i te hokonga.

2. Kihai a Henare Rata i uru ki aua whakariteritenga engari ko te kaiwhakahaere anake o te hoko raua ko te kaiwhakamaori i reira, oti noa te hoko.

3. No te kaiwhakahaere o te hoko raua ko te kaiwhakamaori taua he, ina hoki i mohio ano raua kaore aua kupu i tuhia ki te pukapuka o te hoko, heoi whakaaetia ana.

4. I whakaaetia ai, hei mea e tuhi ai te Kaitono i tono ingoa ki taua pukapuka e whakapaingia ai hoki raua e te tangata mona taua whenua.

5. Ma te kaiwhakahaere o te hoko e utu ki a Tareha nga rakau i pau me nga rakau i pirau.

WIREMU HIKAIRO, Komihana.

REPORT ON CASE No. IV.

WHARERANGI.—Paora Torotoro and Waka Kawatini, Complainants.

Paora Torotoro and Waka Kawatini complain of Mr. Kinross, because they did not receive rent for this land for six years.

This land was set apart for the Natives by the Government at the time of the sale of the bulk of the land, and it was subsequently adjudicated upon by the Native Land Court, and a Crown grant was issued to Paora Torotoro and others. After the Court had dealt with it, the grantees leased the block to Mr Kinross, at an annual rental of £270.

Paora Kaiwhata stated that this land had been leased to Colonel Whitmore and Mr. Alexander before the Native Land Act was passed, and he stated the rent was also paid regularly during that period.

Paora Torotoro stated that when this land was leased, he and his party commenced to take goods on credit from the lessee. They ran up a score of £700, and then the lessee said to them, "If you are willing to reduce the rent to £100 a year, I will cancel your debt to me." Paora and his party agreed to this proposal, and after that they again began to get goods on credit from the lessee.

We do not think this complaint should be entertained, because the complainants themselves ran into debt, and therefore the rent was stopped.

Te Waka Kawatini's statement was not clear to us.

WIREMU HIKAIRO, Commissioner.

WIREMU TE WHEORO, Commissioner.

IV.—WHARERANGI.—Paora Torotoro, Waka Kawatini, nga Kaitono.

Ko nga tono a Paora Torotoro raua ko Te Waka Kawatini he whakaha he Kenerohi mo te korenga o nga utu reti mo tenei whenua i roto i nga tau e ono e puta ki a ratou.

Ko tenei whenua, he wahi i waiho e te Kawanatanga mo nga tangata Maori i te wa i hokona ai te nuunga o te whenua, no muri mai, ka whakawakia e te Kouti Whenua Maori, a whakaputaina ana he Karaati ki a Paora Torotoro ratou ko etahi atu. No muri iho i te otinga i te whakawa ka retia e te hunga i Karaatitia ra ki a Kenerohi mo te £270 te utu reti i he tau.

I whakaaturia mai e Paora Kaiwhata ko tenei whenua, he whenua retinga ano ki etahi Pakeha ko Te Witimoa raua ko Hanara nga ingoa i mua atu o te Ture Kouti Whenua Maori a ki tana ki, i puta pai tonu nga utu reti i tena wa.

Ki te kupu a Paora Torotoro ka oti te tukunga o tenei whenua ki te reti ka timata hoki ta ratou mahi nama ko ona hoa ki te Kaiutu reti. Hui katoa nga utu mo nga nama e whitu rau (£700) katahi te Kai utu reti ka mea atu ki a ratou. "Ki te mea ka pai koutou ki te whakahoki iho i te utu mo te reti ki te rau kotahi (£100) mo te tau, ka whakakorea noatia iho a koutou nama e ahau." Na whakaaetia ana e ratou ko ona hoa taua tono a te Kaiutu reti, no muri iho i tena whakaritenga ka tahuri ano ratou ko ona hoa ki te mahi nama ki te Kaiutu reti.

Ko ta maua whakaaro, kaore e tika tenei tono ina hoki ko ratou ano ki te puku nama koia e kore ai nga moni utu reti e puta ki a ratou.

Ko te korero a te Waka Kawatini kihai maua i marama.

WIREMU HIKAIRO, Komihana.

WIREMU TE WHEORO, Komihana.

REPORT ON CASE No. VI.

KOROKI.

This land was adjudicated upon by the Native Land Court, and a Crown grant issued in the names of ten persons.

After the said Court had made the award in favour of the ten persons, they sold the land to a European for £300.

Mr. W. A. Cannon and his wife, Hokomata, complained to the Commissioners in respect of this land. They complained of the person who paid the £300.