

arranged with the defendant that he (complainant) was to get £200. The complainant was not a slave of the defendant, to justify the defendant in saying that he would arrange with the complainant.

2. The Parliament knows what are likely to be the results of purchasers interviewing persons interested in land, separately; that is, so that not one of the grantees of the land which it is desired to acquire shall know anything of the statements and writings of another.

3. It was not because the defendant knew that the complainant had but a small share in this land that the money for him was less than for the others; it was because the complainant did not owe the defendant much.

Renata applied to have all the documents, showing all transactions relating to this land, looked into, because he alleged that he had not signed either conveyance or mortgage of the said land; and he complained against R. D. Maney.

When the complaint was heard a mortgage deed was inspected, and the name of the complainant was there written in a handwriting exactly resembling that of the complainant.

When the complainant saw the signature attached to the deed, he admitted that it was his, but he had no idea of where he signed the deed.

Martyn Hamlin said he interpreted the deed to complainant, who signed the same in a public-house.

I believe the signature attached to that mortgage deed to be that of the complainant, but that he was drunk when he signed it.

The complainant said that he heard from Maney that the payment for his share of that land was to be £1,000, but it was appropriated to pay the debts of Haromi [Haromi is the widow of Karauria].

The defendant admitted this.

I consider that the defendant should not have appropriated that money for the purpose of paying those debts, because the complainant did not give his consent to such a proceeding.

Paora Kaiwhata: This man complains against Maney for the following reason:—The price agreed upon for this land was £4,000; when he went to fetch it it was not given to him, but it was arranged he was to get £500. When he went to get that it was not given to him; he only got grog.

My opinion on this complaint is: The complainant was not justified in making this complaint.

WIREMU HIKAIRO, Commissioner.

No. XX.—TUNANUI.—Hare Torotoro, Renata Kawepo, Paora Kaiwhata, nga Kaitono.

Ko te tonu a Hare Torotoro he whakahe ki a Miini (R. D. Maney), te take kaore he moni i riro mai ki a ia mo tona moketetanga atu i tona waahi o tenei whenua ki taua Pakeha. Heoi nga mea i riro mai ki a ia kotahi parau ko etahi taonga, me etahi waipiro.

Na i runga i nga korero katoa i whakaaturia mai ai ki te Kouti mo tenei tonu, e mea ana te Kaitono:—Ko te take i tuhi ai ia i tona ingoa ki roto ki te pukapuka mokete mo tenei whenua, he otinga no ta raua korero ko taua Pakeha, i mea kia £200 te utu mo tona (to te Kaitono) paanga, ki taua whenua.

I mea te Kaikaro kihai ia i whakahua i tena moni ki te Kaitono whakawa, engari kei a ia tonu te tikanga mona (mo te Kaitono). I mea ano hoki te Kaikaro, i te rongonga o te Kaitono he iti te moni ma era atu ka koa.

Ki te whakaaro a te Kaikaro whakawa ka rite te nui o te paanga o te Kaitono ki tenei whenua ki nga moni e £50.

Na ko taku whakaaro i runga i nga korero mo tenei tonu:—

1. He tika te ki a te Kaitono whakawa i tuhi ai ia i tona ingoa ki te pukapuka mokete, he otinga no ta raua korero ko te Kaikaro mo he £200. Ehara hoki i he mea he pononga na te Kaikaro te Kaitono i kiia ai ma te Kaikaro whakawa tonu te whakaaro ki te Kaitono.

2. Ko te Paremata e mohio ana ki nga peheatanga o te korero takitahi a te kaihoko whenua ki nga tangata whai whenua. Ara, ki tenei, kua tetahi o nga tangata o roto i te Karauna Karaati o te whenua e hiahia ana kia hokona e rongu i nga korerotanga me nga tuhituhinga a tetahi.

3. Ehara i te mea he mohiotanga no te Kaikaro ki te iti o te paanga o te Kaitono whakawa ki tenei whenua i whakaiti ai i te moni ma te Kaitono, i whakanui ai ma era atu. Engari he iti no nga nama a te Kaitono.

Ko te tonu a Renata he mea kia tirohia nga pukapuka o nga meatanga katoa o taua whenua, ki tana, kore rawa ia i tuhi pukapuka hoko mokete ranei mo taua whenua a e whakahe ana kia Miini (R. D. Maney).

A i te wa i whakarangona ai nga korero mo tenei tonu ka tirohia tetahi pukapuka mokete, e mau ana te ingoa o te Kaitono ki taua pukapuka, a ko te tuhi o taua ingoa rite pu ano ki te tuhi a te Kaitono.

A i te kitenga a te Kaitono i te ahua o te reta e mau ana ki taua pukapuka, ka mea ia ko taua tuhi nana, engari ko te tuinga kaore rawa ia e mohio ana i tuhi ia ki whea i taua pukapuka mokete.

E ki ana a Matene Hemara ko ia te Kaiwhakamaori o taua pukapuka ki te Kaitono a i tuhi te Kaitono i tona ingoa ki taua pukapuka i roto i te Paparakauhe.

Heoi ko taku whakaaro he tika, na te Kaitono ano tona ingoa i tuhi ki taua pukapuka mokete, engari he mea tuhi hauranga.

E mea ana te Kaitono i rongu kau ia ki a Miini ko te moni hei utu mo tona waahi o taua whenua £1,000, engari i whakapaua hei utu mo nga nama a Haromi (ko Haromi he pouaru na Karauria).

I whakaaetia taua korero e te Kaikaro.

Taku whakaaro mo tenei kaore i tika te tukunga a te Kaikaro i taua moni mo era nama, kaore hoki he whakaaetanga a te Kaitono whakawa kia peratia.

Paora Kawhata: Ko te tonu a tenei he whakahe kia Miini, ko te take ko te utu i whakaaetia mo tenei whenua e £4,000; te haerenga atu ki te tiki, kaore i homai tena moni, whakaritea ana ko te