

ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

*(Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives.)*

THURSDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF JULY, 1875.

*Ordered,* That a Committee of twelve members, consisting of the Hon. Sir Donald McLean, the Hon. Major Atkinson, Mr. Bradshaw, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rolleston, Mr. Richmond, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Reid, Mr. Wood, Mr. White, Mr. Sheehan, and the Mover, be appointed to inquire into the whole of the circumstances connected with the acquisition and transfer to provincial administration of the Tairua and Pakirarahi Blocks, in the Province of Auckland, and of all dealings whatsoever therewith by either the Colonial or Provincial Governments up to the present date. With power to call for persons and papers. Five members to be a quorum; and report to be brought up within six weeks.—*(Sir G. Grey.)*

FRIDAY, THE 27TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1875.

*Ordered,* That the Tairua Committee be authorized to inquire, to such an extent as the evidence taken before them may appear to render necessary, into the circumstances connected with any purchase of land negotiated or concluded by Mr. Mackay, Mr. Brissenden, or Colonel McDonnell.—*(Sir G. Grey.)*

WEDNESDAY, THE 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1875.

*Ordered,* That four weeks additional time be granted to the Tairua Investigation Committee, within which to consider and report upon the matters referred to it.—*(Sir G. Grey.)*