

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 295, Session II.—Te Pitihana a MOHI NGATATA.

E INOI ana te kai-pitihana ko etahi whenua i Taranaki i raupatutia e te Kawanatanga ko aua whenua i taka mai ki a ia i tona tipuna tane me tona tipuna wahine a me whakahoki ki a ia no te mea kaore ia i uru ki roto ki te whawhai a te pakeha me te Maori.

Kua whakahau ahau kia ki penei :—

E pouri ana te Komiti mo te poto o te takiwa i a ratou e oti ai te whiriwhiri i tenei pitihana.

12 Tihema, 1879.

No. 243, Session II.—Petition of GEORGE TIMOTHY STEPHENSON.

PETITIONER states that in April, 1877, he commenced negotiations with certain Natives of Maketu District for a lease of part of Rangiuru Block; that before the land passed the Court the block was proclaimed by the Government as being under negotiation, thereby excluding petitioner from finishing his bargain with the Natives. He also states that he was offered £250 by the then Native Minister by way of compromise, which he refused, as he estimated his loss at £1,500. He has since agreed to accept the £250, but has, as yet, not been able to obtain it.

I am directed to report as follows :—

That, from the testimony of the late Minister for Native Affairs, it appears that a sum of £250 was offered in settlement of the petitioner's claims, and that the petitioner is now willing to accept that amount; and the Committee recommends that the Government pay this amount if the petitioner will receive it in full settlement.

12th December, 1879.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 243, Session II.—Te Pitihana a TEOTI TIMOTI TIWINIHANA.

E KI ana te kai-pitihana i timata ia ki te whakarite ki etahi Maori o Maketu mo te rihi o tetahi wahi o te Poraka o Rangiuru. Na kaore ano kia Kootitia taua whenua ka panui heretia e te Kawanatanga no reira kore ana e oti ana whakaritenga ko nga Maori. Na e ki ana ia i mea te Minita mo te taha Maori o taua takiwa kia hoatu ki a ia kia £250 hei whakaoti i te taha ki a ia kaore ia i whakaae no te mea ko tona rihi ki taua whakaaro e £1,500. Kua whakaae ia i muri nei ki te tango i te £250 engari kaore ano i riro.

Kua whakahau ahau kia ki penei :—

I runga i nga korero a te Minita mo te taha Maori kua mutu ake nei i meatia atu ano kia hoatu e £250 hei whakarite mo nga take o te kai-pitihana a e pai ana ia inaianei ki te tango i aua moni. E mea ana te Komiti kia utua e te Kawanatanga aua moni mehemea e pai ana te kai-pitihana ki te tango i taua moni hei utu mo ona take katoa.

12 Tihema, 1879.

No. 230, Session II.—Petition of PORIKAPA and 4 Others.

PETITIONERS state that a Native Land Court was held in the year 1866, by which a piece of land called Papa-a-hinu was wrongfully taken from them and secured to the Government. They never received notice of the sitting of the Court; consequently, when they got there they were told that they were too late. This land, they assert, was not included in the confiscated land. Its area is about 200 acres. They have constantly applied for a rehearing.

I am directed to report as follows :—

That the Committee regret that the time at their disposal has not been sufficient to enable them to make such inquiries as would justify them in reporting an opinion on the subject-matter of this petition.

12th December, 1879.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 230, Session II.—Te Pitihana a PORIKAPA me etahi atu e 4.

E KI ana nga kai-pitihana i tu tetahi Kooti Whenua Maori i te tau 1866 i tangohia hetia tetahi whenua ko Papa-a-hinu i a ratou whakataua atu ana ki te Kawanatanga. Kaore i puta ake he panui o taua Kooti ki a ratou, a tae rawa atu ratou kiia ake ana kua tureiti. E ki ana ratou kaore taua whenua i uru ki roto ki te raupatu a ko ona eka e 200. Ta ratou mahi he tono kia whakawakia-tuaruatia.

Kua whakahau ahau kia ki penei :—

E pouri ana te Komiti mo te poto o te takiwa i a ratou hei tiroirohanga e tika ai te whakatau kupu mo runga i nga putake korero o roto i tenei pitihana.

12 Tihema, 1879.

No. 229, Session II.—Petition of KARANAMA TE UAMAUNGAPOHATU and 128 Others.

PETITIONERS state that in accordance with Maori customs they are entitled to certain blocks of land in the Tauranga District. That Sir George Grey wrote to Mr. Wilson, Commissioner, which letter was shown to the petitioners, and which restricted them from selling their land. They pray that an Act may be passed enabling them to sell or lease land as they may think fit.

I am directed to report as follows :—

That the Committee regret that the time at their disposal has not been sufficient to enable them to make such inquiries as would justify them in reporting an opinion on the subject-matter of this petition.

12th December, 1879.