

tetahi hamene mo aua tangata mo te whakahoa o raua ki te tahae erangi kaore taua whakawa i tae ki tona tutukitanga no te mea i araiatia e etahi take ake ano e korerotia ana e te kai-pitihana. E inoi ana te kai-pitihana ki te whare kia whakahaua he whakawa mo nga tangata katoa e kitea ana i runga i te rapuhanga i whai hara i roto i taua mea, a kia awhinatia a Rora Nonoi te tamahine a Paora kia taea ai te tiaki ona taonga e toe ake nei.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:—

He maha nga kaiwhaki korero kua patapataia a kua ata whakaarohia rawa te pitihana nei; na e mea ana te Komiti kaore ana whakahau ki te whare kia whakahaerea tenei pitihana.

Katoa nga tangata i karangatia ki te aroaro o te Komiti kia korero e whakaae katoa ana ki tenei wahi, ara,—I tetahi takiwa i nga ra mutunga o Akuhata, 1870, ka tae atu a Wakena ki tetahi pa ki Korongata 18 maero i uta atu o Nepia, ko tana haere he mea kia riro te ingoa o Paora Nonoi ke tetahi pukapuka hoko tuku atu ki a Pererika Tatana i te take katoa o Paora i roto i te Poraka o Te Awa-o-te-Atua.

I whakatakotoria tetahi kape tika o taua pukapuka hoko ki te aroaro o te Komiti, e mea ana taua kape i tuhi a Paora Nonoi i tona ingoa i runga i te tuhi maka, i tuhi hoki a Rora tona tamahine a ko te kai-titiro ko tetahi Maori ko Nikera.

10 Tihema, 1879.

EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIVE AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE.

THURSDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1879.

Present: Mr. Fisher, Sir George Grey, Mr. Hamlin (Chairman), Mr. Lundon, Mr. McDonald Captain Russell, Mr. Sheehan, Mr. Tainui, Mr. Tawhai, Major Te Wheoro, Mr. Tomoana, Colonel Trimble, Mr. Whitaker.

Petition No. 19, Session I., from George Davie, read.

On the motion of Sir George Grey, *Resolved*, That the following witnesses be summoned from Napier: Rora Nonoi, Miki Nikera, Nikera, George Davie.

Consideration postponed.

Committee then adjourned.

FRIDAY, 31ST OCTOBER, 1879.

Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present: Mr. Allwright, Mr. Fisher, Sir George Grey, Mr. Hamlin (Chairman), Mr. Lundon, Mr. Moss, Mr. Ormond, Mr. Seddon, Mr. Tainui, Mr. Tawhai, Major Te Wheoro, Mr. Tomoana, Colonel Trimble, Mr. Whitaker.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Letter from Mr. Sutton, *re* George Davie's petition, read as follows:—

SIR,—

Wellington, 30th October, 1879.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of a notice from your Committee requesting my attendance to-morrow for the purpose of giving evidence in the matter of the petition of George Davie.

The petition is a very unusual one, and the charges made therein against myself are of a serious nature. I would respectfully submit that the Committee should first examine some reliable witnesses in support of the petition, as it may turn out that there is no foundation for the statements therein made.

I trust the Committee will examine all witnesses on oath, and that I may be present at the examination of any witnesses.

Should there be any evidence in support of the petition, I should wish to give evidence, provided there is any charge to meet.

E. Hamlin, Esq., M.H.R.,

I have, &c.,

F. SUTTON.

Chairman, Native Affairs Committee.

Letter from Mr. W. L. Rees, asking to be allowed to appear as counsel for the petitioner and certain Natives, read as follows:—

SIR,—

Wellington, 31st October, 1879.

Re petition of George Davie, I have the honor to request that I may be permitted to attend as counsel for petitioner and for the daughters of Paora Nonoi, who are interested in this matter.

I am fully authorized by both parties to appear for them.

I have, &c.,

Chairman, Native Affairs Committee.

W. L. REES.

Proposed by Sir George Grey, That, the House having referred this petition to the Native Affairs Committee to report thereon, the Committee do forthwith proceed to consider the same.

Upon which the following amendment was proposed by Mr. Ormond: That all the words after the word "That" be struck out, for the purpose of inserting the following: "this Committee is of opinion the Courts of law are the proper tribunals to deal with the matters alleged in the petition."

Upon the question being put, That the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question, the Committee divided, and the names were taken down as follows:—