

No. 133 of 1880.—Petition of MOHI NGATATA.

PETITIONER states that he is entitled to lands in Taranaki, and prays for their return.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That this is a petition similar to No. 295, Session II., 1879, from the same person, regarding which the Government has already been recommended to refer the petitioner's case to the West Coast Royal Commission.

7th July, 1880.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 133 of 1880.—Pukapuka-inoi a MOHI NGATATA.

E KI ana nga Kai-pitihana e whai take ana ia ki etahi whenua i Taranaki a e inoi ana kia whakahokia ki a ia.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:—

He pitihana tenei pera me te pitihana No. 295, o te Paremete tuarua 1879, a taua tangata ano, na kua oti te whakahau kia tukua atu te korero a te Kai-pitihana ki te Komihana o te Tai Hauapru.

7 Hurae, 1880.

No. 137 of 1880.—Petition of DAVID DOULL and Others.

PETITIONERS state that they consider that a Bill before the House entitled "The East Coast Maori Land and Settlements Bill, 1880," would tend to settle land difficulties on the East Coast; they therefore pray that the Bill be passed.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That this being a matter now under the consideration of the House, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

7th July, 1880.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 137 of 1880.—Pukapuka-inoi a RAWIRI TAURU me etahi atu.

E KI ana nga Kai-pitihana ko te Pire kei te aroaro o te Whare e huaina ana "Ko te Pire mo nga Whenua Maori o te Tai Rawhiti me te Whakanohonoho Kainga, 1880," ki ta ratou whakaaro he pire era e tau ai nga raruraru whenua o te Tai Rawhiti, no reira ka inoi ratou kia whakamanaia taua Pire.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:—

Notemea he mea tenei kei te whakaarohia e te Whare i naiane heoi kaore he kupu a te Komiti.

7 Hurae, 1880.

No. 22 of 1880.—Petition of PETER AUSTIN.

PETITIONER states that in 1876 he leased and entered into possession of a farm called Belmont, containing 360 acres. That the dividing fence between this and a neighbouring property called Te Komata had never been erected, though there was a survey line cut through the bush. Since he got possession he tried to erect a fence, but the Natives have prevented this being done, and have also kept his cattle off 150 acres of his farm, though the whole is Crown-granted, and has been in European possession for over thirty years. He prays that steps may be taken to secure him in peaceable possession, and prays also for compensation for his loss.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That this seems to be part of a large question relating to disputed titles to land in the Ohinemuri District, and the Committee would call the attention of the Government to it in that connection.

7th July, 1880.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 122 of 1880.—Pukapuka-inoi a PITA OTENE.

E KI ana te Kai-pitihana no te tau 1876 i rihitia e ia tetahi paamu ko Belmont e 360 eka a i noho ia ki runga. Ko te taiapa rohe i waenganui i taua wahi me tetahi whenua ko te Komata kaore ano kia whakaarohia ahakoa te raina ruri tera ano kua tapahia me roto i te ngaherehere. I muri i te rironga o taua wahi i a ia ka whakamatau ia ki te whakaara taiapa engari kaore i tukua e nga Maori, kaore hoki i tukua e ratou ona kau ki runga ki etahi eka 150 o tona paamu, ahakoa kei roto katoa taua whenua i te Karauna karaati a i nga pakeha e noho ana neke atu i nga tau 30. E inoi ana ia kia mahia tetahi tikanga e mau kore raruraru ai ki a ia taua wahi a kia utua ano hoki ia mo tona rarunga.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:—

Notemea ko tetahi pito tenei o tetahi korero nui mo etahi take whenua raruraru i roto i te takiwa o Ohinemuri a mea ana te Komiti kia whakamaharahaatia te Kawanatanga kia tahuri ki taua mea.

7 Hurae, 1880.

No. 46 of 1880.—Petition of REIHANA PARAONE and 10 Others.

PETITIONER states that he has claims on blocks of land called Tukahue and Manganui Owae; that, in reply to his frequent applications for compensation, he had only received the reply that he "knew of the sale at the time it was made." The petitioner prays for £800, or a grant of land in lieu thereof.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That the Committee having learned that the petitioner was present in Court when the claims of the Natives were settled, and also present when the money was paid, and in neither case having made any claim, it has no recommendation to make.

6th July, 1880.