

No. 242.—Petition of WEPIHA APANUI and 55 Others (No. 2).

PETITIONERS desire the restrictions upon the alienation of their land at Whakatane to be removed.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That this is one of a series of petitions where the names in the grant are only entered as trustees for a tribe. These grantees not unfrequently let the land, and appropriate the rent to their own use. Legislation is needful for the purpose of fixing individual interests. Merely to take off restrictions is not the course to be adopted. The Committee recommends the subject to the early attention of Government.

25th July, 1883.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 242.—Pukapuka-inoi a WEPIHA APANUI me etahi atu e 55 (Nama 2).

E HIAHIA ana nga kai-pitihana kia tangohia te here i runga i o ratou whenua i Whakatane.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:—

I rite ano tenei pitihana ki etahi atu pitihana penei, no te mea ko nga ingoa o nga tangata i tuhia ki te karaati he kai tiaki kau ratou mo te Iwi. He mea ano ka retia te whenua e nga tangata i roto i te karaati ko nga moni ka kainga e ratou ano, me whai ture hei whakatau i te take o ia tangata ki te whenua. Ko te tango kau i nga here ehara i te huarahi tika, ko te Komiti e whakaaro ana me tuku tenei take kia whakaarohia wawetia e te Kawanatanga.

25 Hurae, 1883.

No. 216.—Petition of MICHAEL MULLOOLY.

PETITIONER complains that he has lost a large sum of money by the action of Government in relation to a piece of land called Uawa, Gisborne.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That this petition is similar to that (No. 45) very fully reported upon in the session of 1880. No further facts have been adduced to enable the Committee to arrive at a conclusion different from that then come to.

25th July, 1883.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 216.—Pukapuka-inoi a MAIKERA MARURI.

E KI ana te kai-pitihana he nui ana moni kua ngaro i te mahi a te Kawanatanga i runga i tetahi pihi whenua e karangatia nei ko Uawa kei Kihipane.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:—

Ko tenei pitihana i rite ki tetahi pitihana (No. 45) i tino korerotia nei i te Paremete o te tau 1880. Kahore he take hou kua whakaputaina i naianei e rereke ai te whakaaro o te Komiti i ta ratou whakaaro o mua.

25 Hurae, 1883.

No. 187.—Petition of HOTENE PORORAUANGI and Others.

PETITIONERS state that a large portion of Puketauhinu having been awarded to the Whanu-A-Apanui hapu, a rehearing of the case was arranged for; that the rehearing took place at Whakatane on the 26th September, 1882, but that, the land having been gazetted as waste lands of the Crown, nothing could be done. They refer to a promise by the Government of special legislation, and ask for compensation for expenses incurred in attending the Court.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That there is a real difficulty in this matter, which can only be settled by legislation. The Committee has been informed that Government intends to introduce into Parliament a Bill to deal with this and some other similar cases. The Committee recommends the petition to the consideration of Government.

27th July, 1883.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 187.—Pukapuka-inoi a HOTENE PORORAUANGI me etahi atu.

E KI ana nga kai-pitihana no te mea i whakataua tetahi wahi nui o Puketauhinu ki te hapu o te Whanu-A-Apanui, whakaritea ana kia whakawakia tuarua tia, i tu taua whakawa i Whakatane i te 26 o Hepetema, 1882, Otira no te mea kua kahititia taua whenua he whenua no te karauna, kihai i taea te whakawa ano. E whakahua ana ratou ki tetahi kupu a te Kawanatanga i mea nei, me whakatu tetahi whakawa ake ano mo tenei keehi, heoi e tono ana ki tetahi utu mo a ratou i pau i te hoanga i te kooti.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:—

He take raruraru rawa tenei ma tetahi whakawa ake ano te oti ai. Kua rongo te Komiti e kokiritia ana e te Kawanatanga tetahi Pire ki te Paremete hei whakahaere i tenei keehi me etahi atu i rite ki tenei. Heai te whakahaaro o te Komiti me tuku tenei pitihana kia whakaarohia e te Kawanatanga.

27 Hurae, 1883.

No. 53.—Petition of WIREMU KATENE TE MAPU and 11 Others (No. 2).

PETITIONERS complain that Judge Wilson, in September, 1880, not only adjudicated (on a rehearing) upon Paengaroa North, but subdivided it. They ask for a rehearing, upon the ground that the lands ought not to have been subdivided.