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mai ia ratou i Waitaki, a ko nga utu o enei mea i utua ki nga moni o nga reti i kohikohia ma ratou. E ki ana ratou he mea tika mehemea i maha mai nga moni ma ratou.

Kua whakahana ahau kia ki penei:—

I runga i te raruru o nga korero o tenei petihana me te take kore. Kahore e ahei te Komiti te whakaaro.

10 Akuhata, 1883.

No. 353.—Petition of HIPA TE MAIHAROA (No. 4).

Petitioner states that Mr. Taiaroa did not communicate with him regarding a Bill dealing with reserves, and he prays it may not be passed. He says he and his hapu are the owners of the Middle Island, and he demands a settlement of his claims.

I am directed to report as follows:-

That, the Bill referred to having passed the House, the Committee has no recommendation to make. Regarding the claims as owner of the Middle Island, the Committee would refer to the report upon Petition No. 121.

10th August, 1883.

[Translation.]

No. 353.—Pukapuka-inoi a Hipa Te Maiharoa (No. 4).

E ki ana te kai-pitihana kaore a Taiaroa i tuku korero ake ki aia mo'runga i te Pire whakahaere i nga whenua Rahui a e inoi ana ia kia kaua e whakamana taua Pire. E ki ana ia ko ia ko tona hapu nga tangata nana ia motu Te Waipounamu, e tono ana ia kia whakaritea tana kereme.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:--

No te mea kua pahitia e te Paremete te Pire e whakahuatia nei, kaore he whakaaro a te Komiti, mo runga i nga kereme take ki te motu Waipounamu, e whakaatu ana i te ripoata i runga i te pitihana No. 121.

10 Akuhata, 1883.

No. 366.—Petition of Ihaia Tainui.

PETITIONER prays that the Taiaroa Land Bill may be passed, so far as it relates to land held by Mr. Taiaroa in fee-simple.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That the Bill referred to seems to have passed the House. The Committee has no recommendation to make.

14th August, 1883.

TRANSLATION.

No. 366.—Pukapuka-inoi a Ihaia Tainui.

E inoi ana te kai-pitihana kia Whakamana te Pire whenua a Taiaroa, ara i runga i nga whenua e pa ana e mau ana kia Taiaroa ake.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:-

Ko te Pire e whakahuatia nei kua whakamana e te Paremete. Kaore he whakaaro a te Komiti.

14 Akuhata, 1883.

No. 374.—Petition of Toha and Others.

Petitioners point out various clauses of the Crown and Native Lands Rating Act which require ~ repeal or amendment.

I am directed to report as follows:—

That the prayer of the petition be referred to the Government for consideration, in view of any further legislation on the subject.

14th August, 1883.

Translation.

No. 374.—Pukapuka-inoi a Тона me etahi atu.

Ko nga kai-pitihana e whakaatu ana i etahi rarangi maha i roto i Te Ture Reeti i nga Whenua Karauna me nga Whenua Maori kia whakakorea etahi take kia whakatikatikata etahi.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei:--

Ko te inoi a te kai-hitihana me tuku ki te Kwanatanga kia whakaarohia, kei whai tikanga ki muri atu mo runga i tenei take.

14 Akuhata, 1883.

No. 402.—Petition of Meiha Ropata and 172 Others.

PETITIONERS state that they belong to the Ngatiporou Tribe, and are owners of land in the Waiapu District. They say that they are annoyed and wronged by the action of various persons who are endeavouring to purchase their land. They give schedules of certain of their lands which they desire to have brought under the operation of "The Native Reserves Act, 1882." With regard to portions of the named land now held by Europeans, they desire that the leases should be respected. They ask that they may be empowered to form a Native Committee, subject to the control of the Public Trustee, whose duty it would be to assist in carrying out matters connected with the lands reserved.