

I am directed to report as follows :—

That the land was adjudicated upon on the 3rd July, 1882, and no application has been made to the Court for a rehearing. The Committee has no recommendation to make.

3rd September, 1883.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 467.—Pukapuka-inoi a MANIHERA MAKOARE.

E ki ana te kai-pitihana ko ia tetahi o nga tangata nona a te Waimanu Poraka, i Kaipara, a i he te kapenga o tona ingoa i runga i tana take ki taua whenua e te Kooti Whenua Maori, a kihai i riro mai tetahi utu i a ia mo tona panga ki taua whenua. E tono ana kia whakawakia tuaruatia kia homai ranei he utu.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei :—

I whakawakia taua whenua i te toru o nga ra o Hurae 1882 a kahore he tono i tae ake ki te Kooti kia whakawakia tuaruatia.

Kahore he kupu a te Komiti mo runga i tenei inoi.

3 Hepetema, 1883.

No. 533.—Petition of HIPA TE MAIHAROA and 150 Others (No 5).

PETITIONERS pray that Mr. Tairaroa's Land Bill may not be passed.

I am directed to report as follows :—

That, the Bill referred to having already passed the House, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

3rd September, 1883.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 533.—Pukupuka-inoi a HIPA TE MAIHAROA me etahi atu 150 (No. 5).

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia kua e pahitia te Pire a Tairaroa.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei :—

No te mea kua-pahitia noa tia ake e te Paremete te Pire e whakahuatia nei, kahore he kupu ma te Komiti.

3 Hepetema ma te Komiti.

No. 437.—Petition of HENARE TOMOANA.

PETITIONER states that a block of land called Pakowhai, which he and others had inherited, was granted to Karaitiana Takamoana, by desire of the owners, under the mistaken idea that this would preserve their property in it. Karaitiana, instead of treating the land as held in trust, acted as if it were his own, and it has descended to his heir. In this way the petitioner and others have been wronged. He prays that the Crown grant should be cancelled, and a new one issued to protect rightful owners.

I am directed to report as follows :—

This petition opens a very wide question, namely, how far individual grantees represent interests unnamed in the grant. The whole subject is recommended to the consideration of the Government.

3rd September, 1883.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 437.—Pukapuka-inoi a HENARE TOMOANA.

E ki ana te kai-pitihana ko etahi poraka whenua e karangatia ana ko Pakowhai, he whenua tuku iho na o ratou tupuna tae iho ki aia me etahi atu, i karaitia kia Karaitiana Takamoana i runga i te hiahia i te whakaaro pohehe o nga tangata no ratou te whenua, ma reira ka mau tonu ta ratou take i roto i te karati. Kihai a Karaitiana i whakahaere i te whenua i runga i te tikanga tiaki, erangi i whakahaere ano nona ake, a kua tau ki tana uri. No runga i tenei haurahi kua mate te kai pitihana me etahi atu. E tono ana ia kia whakakorea atu tenei karati, kia hanga he mea hou hei tiaki i nga take a nga tangata no ratou te whenua.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei :—

E ara ana tetahi tikanga nui i roto i tenei pitihana, ara he pehea ia te nui o te paanga o nga tangata o roto o te karati mo nga ritenga kihai i whakahuatia ki roto i te karati. Ko te whakaaro tenei me tuku tenei take kia whakaarohia e te Kawanatanga.

3 Hepetema, 1883.

No. 72.—Petition of APERAHAMA TE KUME and 8 Others.

PETITIONERS complain that their land called Maungaiti, part of the Whakamaru Block, had after two hearings by the Land Court been awarded to others. Judge Symonds adjudicated upon it in 1880. A rehearing was granted and came on this year at Cambridge. They say that the Patetere Land Company agreed to give them 6,000 acres of the land named if they would not go on with the case. They say that the Court refused to allow the case to be withdrawn, and finally decided against them. They ask for a rehearing.

I am directed to report as follows :—

That this is a case of rehearing. The land referred to consists of about 17,000 to 20,000 acres. From the evidence adduced it seems that the interests of the Natives to whom had been made the original order had been pretty well exhausted by European purchasers. In order to facilitate the passing of the land through the Court, and thus enable it to be quickly transferred, these purchasers and the Natives from whom they had bought offered concessions to the petitioners—land to the extent of 6,000 acres and a sum of money was offered to them. The petitioners accepted this offer,