No. 440, Sess. II., 1884.—Petition of H. P. Tunuiarangi and 8 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that a law may be enforced fining heavily those Maoris who make fictitious claims to land, and also those who oppose just claims wrongfully. Fine to be paid to the local receiving officer of the revenue of the colony.

I am directed to report as follows: That this Committee has no recommendation to make.

[Translation.]

No. 440, Sess. II., 1884.—Pukapuka-inoi a H. P. Tunuiarangi me etahi atu 8.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia hanga tetahi Ture hei whaina i nga Maori e whakaputa take he ana mo te whenua me nga tangata hoki e whakahe ana i nga take tika, ko te whaina me utu ki te kai tango moni o te Koroni.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Kahore he kupu a te komiti mo runga i tenei tono.

No. 240.—Petition of REETI TE RANGI WHAKAREWA and Others.

Petitioners pray that the Native Land Court may be either closed or removed. They state a number of wrongs which they allege occur under the present law.

I am directed to report as follows: That this petition should be referred to the Government for its consideration.

29th July, 1885.

[Translation.]

No. 240.—Pukapuka-inoi a Reeti te Rangi Whakarewa me etahi atu.

E inoi ana ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakakatia te Kooti Whenua Maori kia nukuhia atu ranei. E korero ana ratou i te maha o nga he e puta ana i raro o te Ture e whakahaerea nei inaianei.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei[†]: Me tuku tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia whakaarohia e ratou.

29 o Hurae, 1885.

Nos. 172 and 173.—Petitions of WIREMU MAHUPUKU and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the Native Land Purchase Department may be done away with, so that no more of their lands may be purchased by the Government, as they are now getting impoverished for want of land.

I am directed to report as follows: That, as these petitions refer to matters of public policy, this Committee has no recommendation to make.

29th July, 1885.

[TRANSLATION.]

Nos. 172 me 173.—Pukapuka-inoi a Wiremu Mahupuku me etahi atu.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia whakamutua te hoko whenua a te Kawanatanga kia kore ai o ratou whenua e riro i te Kawanatanga no te mea kua mate ratou i te kore whenua.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: No te mea e ahu atu ana nga tikanga o enei pitihana ki nga mea mo te tokomaha kahore he kupu a te Komiti mo runga i tenei tono.

29 o Hurae, 1885.

No. 239.—Petition of Hori Ngakapa Akamaunga and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the cost of passing a case through the Native Land Court may be reduced, as frequently the Natives have to forego their claims in consequence of not having money enough to pay the fees.

I am directed to report as follows: That this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

29th July, 1885.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 239.—Pukapuka-inoi a Hori Ngakapa Akamaunga me etahi atu.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana ko nga utu whakahaere keehi i roto i te Kooti Whenua Maori me whakahoki iho no te mga he maha nga mate o nga Maori i runga i te kore moni hei whakahaere i a ratou keehi.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei : Me tuku tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia whakaarohia. 29th Huare, 1885.

No. 73, Sess. II., 1884; No. 104.—Petitions of Albert McKay.

PETITIONER states that he is a half-caste, and that certain lands in the Bay of Plenty belonging to his (Maori) mother, a woman of rank, belonging to the Ngatipukeko Tribe at Whakatane, were confiscated, instead of her children getting them, as she never took part in the rebellion. He prays for relief.

I am directed to report as collows: That, in the opinion of the Committee, the claim raised by these petitions is a matter for the consideration of the Government.

29th July, 1885.

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