

I am directed to report that the petition calls for inquiry, and the Committee has not time to consider the case; they therefore recommend that the whole facts stated in the petition be inquired into by the Government. If the Government finds that the facts are proved, or that it is desirable there should be another investigation, then steps should be taken to grant the petitioner's request. The Committee further recommends in the meantime that the Government should not allow the land to be alienated in any way.

18th October, 1894.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 756.—Pitihana a HAIRAMA HAWETI me etahi atu e 79.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia tu he whakawa tuarua mo Tunapahore Poraka, Opotiki, notemea e ki ana ratou i whakataua hetia taua whenua.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: E tono ana te pitihana kia tu he whakawa uiui a kahore he taima e ahei ai te Komiti ki te whiriwhiri i taua keehi, na reira ko te kupu a te Komiti ma te Kawanatanga e uiui nga putake katoa e whakaaturia ana i roto i te pitihana nei. Mehemea ka kitea e te Kawanatanga e tika ana aua putake he mea tika ranei kia tu ano he whakawa me whakahaere he tikanga whakaae i te inoi a nga kai-pitihana. Ko tetahi o nga kupu a te Komiti kaua e tukua e te Kawanatanga kia tukua te whenua, ahakoa i runga i te tikanga pehea kia mutu ra ano te uiuinga te whakawakanga ranei.

18 Oketopa, 1894.

No. 745.—Petition of APIHAI TANGO and 62 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the decree of the Gisborne Validation Court in regard to the Whangara Block may be removed from the table of the House, in order that an appeal may be lodged against the decision.

I am directed to report that the case is a most complicated one, and is now, on various law points, on appeal to the Appeal Court; that the Committee cannot at this time of its sittings investigate the allegations in the petition; and they therefore recommend that the petition be forwarded to the Government for consideration, and to decide whether the power granted by section 16 of "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," should be exercised by either not confirming the decree or removing it from the table of the House, as asked by the petitioners.

19th October, 1894.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 745.—Pitihana a APIHAI TANGO me etahi atu e 62.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia mauria atu i te Tepeu o te Whare te whakataunga a te Kooti Whakamana Take, o Kihipane, mo Whangara Poraka, kia ahei ai te tuku atu i tetahi tono whakawa tuarua mo taua whakataua.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei. He uaua rawa taua keehi, a kei te takoto inaianei he tono whakawa tuarua i runga i etahi tikanga o te ture ki te aroaro o Te Piira Kooti. A kaore e taea e te Komiti i tenei taima, i te mea kua tata rawa te mutu o ana mahi, te uiui nga putake o roto o te pitihana, na reira ka whai kupu te Komiti me tuku te pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia whiriwhiria, a kia whakataua e ratou mehemea ka tika kia whakahaerea te mana i tukua i raro i te tekiona 16 o "Te Ture Whakamana Take Whenua Maori, 1893," kia whakatuturutia te ota a te Kooti kia whakakorea atu ranei taua ota i runga i te teepu o te Whare i runga i te tono a nga kai-pitihana.

19 Oketopa, 1894.

No. 508.—Petition of TOHA RAHURAHU.

PETITIONER prays for a rehearing of the Waihua No. 2 Block, Wairoa, Hawke's Bay.

I am directed to report that this Committee is of opinion this petition should be referred to the Government for inquiry into the allegations made therein.

19th October, 1894.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 508.—Pitihana a TOHA RAHURAHU.

E INOI ana te kai-pitihana kia tu he whakawa tuarua mo Waihua Nama 2 Poraka, Wairoa, Haki Pei.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Kei te whakaaro tenei Komiti me tuku tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia uiuia nga tikanga o nga kupu o roto o taua pitihana.

19 Oketopa, 1894.

No. 643.—Petition of WIREMU KAIMOANA and 2 Others.

PETITIONERS pray for relief in connection with the award of the Native Land Court in regard to Ohuia No. 1 Block, Hawke's Bay.

I am directed to report that this Committee is of opinion that this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

19th October, 1894.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 643.—Pitihana a WIREMU KAIMOANA me etahi atu tokorua.

E INOI ana nga kai-pitihana kia puta atu he ora ki a ratou mo runga mo te whakataunga a te Kooti Whenua Maori i te keehi o Ohuia Nama 1 Poraka, Haki Pei.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei: Kei te whakaaro tenei Komiti me tuku tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia uiuia tona tikanga.

19 Oketopa, 1894.