

No. 299, 1898.—Petition of TE UAPIKI PATARA and 3 Others.

PETITIONERS allege that Nakora Oroti has been wrongfully declared successor to Aritaku te Hakona, one of the deceased owners of Lot 22, Te Aro Pa, and they pray that they, being the rightful successors, may be appointed in his stead.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that this petition should be referred to the Government for inquiry.

7th September, 1899.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 299, 1898.—Pitihana a TE UAPIKI PATARA me etahi atu tokotoru.

E ki ana nga kai-pitihana kei te he te whakatuunga o Nakora Oroti hei kai-riiwhi mo Aritaku te Hakona tetahi tupapaku i uru ki roto i nga tangata no ratou a Rota 22, Te Aro Pa, a e inoi ana, i te mea ko ratou nga uri tika o taua tangata, kia whakaturia ko ratou hei kai-riiwhi mo taua tupapaku, a kia whakakorea atu a Nakora Oroti.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, ki te whakaaro o te Komiti me tuku atu tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia uiuia.

7 o Hepetema, 1899.

No. 301, 1898.—Petition of WI MAHURI MATAITAUA.

PETITIONER complains that his petition *re* succession to his younger brother's interest in the Manawatu-Wairarapa-Mangatainoka No. 3 Block was dealt with in his absence, and praying for reconsideration.

I am directed to report that the Committee, having again considered the petitioner's case, and finding that he has not availed himself of his right, under the provisions of section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," to bring the matter before the Native Land Court, has no recommendation to make.

7th September, 1899.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 301, 1898.—Pitihana a WI MAHURI MATAITAUA.

E ki ana te kai-pitihana ko tana pitihana i tuku ai mo te riiwhitanga o nga hea o tona teina i Manawatu-Wairarapa-Mangatainoka No. 3 Poraka i whakahaerea e te Komiti i te wa e ngaro ana ia, a e inoi ana ia kia whiriwhiria ano taua pitihana.

Kua whakahua kia ki penei, i te mea tenei kua whiriwhiria tuaruatia e te Komiti te keehi a te kai-pitihana, a i te mea kua kitea kaore ano kia whakahaerea e ia ona tika i raro i tekiona 39 o "Te Ture Kooti Whenua Maori, 1894," e takoto ai taua putake ana ki te aroaro o te Kooti Whenua Maori, na reira kaore kau a te Komiti kupu.

7 o Hepetema, 1899.

No. 274.—Petition of MAKU ELLISON and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that a rehearing may be held in connection with the Poukawa Reserve, Te Hauke, Hawke's Bay District.

I am directed to report that the Committee, having fully considered the evidence in connection with this case, is of opinion sufficient grounds have been shown to warrant further inquiry being held into the ownership of the land in question, and, with that end in view, it is recommended that this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

15th September, 1899.

[TRANSLATION.]

No. 274.—Pitihana a MAKU ERIHANA me etahi atu.

E inoi ana nga kai-pitihana kia tu he whakawa tuarua mo te Rahui i Poukawa, Te Hauke, Takiwa o Haaki Pei.

Kua whakahaua ahau kia ki penei, kua tino whiriwhiria e te Komiti nga korero i korerotia mo tenei keehi, a ki tona whakaaro kua kitea etahi take e rahi ana e tika ai kia tu ano he whakawa hei uiui i nga tangata no ratou te whenua, na reira hei whakatutuki i taua whakaaro, ka whai kupu te Komiti me tuku atu tenei pitihana ki te Kawanatanga kia whiriwhiria paitia.

15 o Hepetema, 1899.

Nos. 403, 423, 114, 115, 116, 168, 169, 170, 321, 322, 390, 391, 392, 396, 397, 411, 412, 413, 414, 439, 440, 455, 456, and 467.—Petitions of TUPU TAINGAKAWA and Another, TAMAHAU MAHUPUKU and 2 Others, ENOKA TE TAITEA and 36 Others, TUTANUKU TUME and 72 Others, KARAITIANA WIRIHANA and 84 Others, H. T. WHATAHORO, TAMAHAU MAHUPUKU and 89 Others, HAUTAHI APORO and 110 Others, APIRANA TUKOTAHI and 60 Others, APERAHAMA TE KUME and 73 Others, HETA HARIWAI and 127 Others, WIREMU PIKAI and 58 Others, TAUHA NIKORA and 11 Others, IHAKA WHANGA and 64 Others, HOERA KATIPO and 69 Others, HONE PAERATA and 158 Others, ERU TE WHANA and 109 Others, WIREMU POTAE and 106 Others, MOANA TAUTAU and 56 Others, HETA MATUA and 10 Others, RETIRETI TAPIHANA and 111 Others, PAKU MAKI and 288 Others, HARE MATENGA and 61 Others, and HORI PURU and 336 Others.

PETITIONERS pray for certain amendments in the laws relating to Native affairs.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion these petitions, together with the evidence taken in connection with the subject-matter thereof, should be referred to the Govern-