1910. NEW ZEALAND.

NATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

NGAITAHU BLOCK (KEMP'S PURCHASE),

PETITION OF TIEMI HIPI AND 916 OTHERS RE (REPORT ON); TOGETHER WITH MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AND EVIDENCE.

(MR. JENNINGS, CHAIRMAN.)

Report brought up 17th November, 1910, and ordered to be printed.

ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

THURSDAY, THE 7TH DAY OF JULY, 1910.

Ordered, "That Standing Order No. 219 be suspended, and that a Native Affairs Committee be appointed, consisting of twelve members, to consider all petitions, reports, returns, and other documents relating to affairs specially affecting the Native race that may be brought before the House this session, and from time to time to report thereon to the House; with power to call for persons and papers; three to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Dr. Rangihiroa, Mr. Greenslade, Mr. Herries, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Kaibau, Mr. Mander, Hon. Mr. Ngata, Mr. Parata, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Seddon, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. Carroll.)

WEDNESDAY, THE 13TH DAY OF JULY, 1910.

Ordered, "That the name of Mr. Dive be added to the Native Affairs Committee."-(Hon. Mr. CARROLL.)

REPORT.

PETITIONERS pray for an investigation to enable a final settlement of the claims of the Ngai Tahu Tribe, with reference to the purchase of the Ngai Tahu Block by Kemp in 1848.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, and that the minutes of the proceedings in Committee, together with the evidence taken, should be laid upon the table of the House and printed.

W. T. Jennings, Chairman.

17th November, 1910.