

## No. 64.

MR. COMMISSIONER KEMP TO THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

R 58-421.

District Commissioner's Office,  
Bay of Islands, 25th October, 1858.

PATUNUI, &c.  
Reporting survey of four  
small Blocks.  
V, Letter No. 54.

SIR,—

Referring to my letter of the 28th June 1858, reporting certain Blocks of Land offered for sale in the neighbourhood of the Bay of Islands, some of which, although small, are described as being within the limits or joining the site for the proposed Township. I have now the honor to report for the information of His Excellency's Government, that these blocks have been surveyed, the quantities ascertained, and the prices fixed as follows :—

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
No. 2.	Patunui	118	0	2	50	0	0
No. 3.	Te Kauri	289	2	27	25	0	0
No. 5.	Hikuwai	875	1	32	35	0	0
No. 6.	Wharau	81	2	29	10	0	0
		1434	3	21	£90	0	0

I have further the honor to report that the extinguishment of the Native Title over these blocks removes all Native claims of importance within the boundaries set apart by the Government; and the prices named are lower than I had any reason to expect under the circumstances, but the Native sellers have in this, as well as in other instances of a similar kind, shown a disposition to meet the wishes of the Government, and to do all in their power to benefit the district at large.

I have, &amp;c.,

H. T. KEMP,  
District Commissioner.

The Chief Commissioner  
Land Purchase Department,  
Auckland.

## No. 65.

THE ASSISTANT NATIVE SECRETARY (ACTING FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER) TO MR. COMMISSIONER KEMP.

Chief Land Purchase Commissioner's Office,  
Auckland, November 29th, 1858.

GENERAL.

To complete purchases of  
Blocks under negocia-  
tions.

V. Letter No. 63,

SIR,—

With reference to your letter of the 16th ulto., reporting on certain blocks of land which you recommend should be purchased by the Government during the present summer.

I have now the honor, by direction of the Governor, to inform you that His Excellency considers your report to be satisfactory, and to request that every advantage will be taken of the summer season to get the most valuable of the Blocks specified in your Report surveyed by Mr. Kempthorne, who has been attached to your department for the purpose.

I am further directed to urge upon you the necessity of your using your best endeavours to complete the purchases under negotiation in your district with the least possible delay, the quantity of land at the disposal of the Provincial Government being insufficient to meet the requirements of immigrants expected to arrive in the Colony within the next year.

I have, &amp;c.,

For the Chief Commissioner,

H. T. Kemp, Esq.,  
District Commissioner,  
Bay of Islands.

THOS. H. SMITH,  
Assistant Native Secretary.

## No. 66.

MR. COMMISSIONER KEMP TO THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

R 58-481.

District Commissioner's Office,  
Bay of Islands, December, 1858.

SIR,—

Adverting to my letter of the 2nd October, No. 29, and to yours of the 20th of the same month, No. 225, in reference to the surveys of the Hauotapiri and Kawa Kawa Blocks, I regret to have to report for the information of His Excellency the Governor that the sellers in the first case, having changed their minds, are not willing to part with that small Block, as will be seen by their letter, a copy of which is herewith enclosed.

HAUOTAPIRI.

KAWAKAWA.