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seven hundred and five acres. It joins the Government Block at Oruru, and is in other respects a desirable purchase. The sum named by Mr. White, viz., (£250) Two hundred and fifty pounds, and (£10) Ten pounds for contingent expenses, is respectfully submitted for approval, and that the amount should be forwarded by vessel by the first convenient opportunity to Mr. White's care.

I have, &c., H. T. KEMP,

District Commissioner.

The Chief Commissioner, Auckland.

Enclosure in No. 90.

Mangonui, August 8th, 1860.

SIR.

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day agreed with the Native owners relative to the price of the Hikurangi Block, the survey of which I forwarded some days since.

They have consented to take Two hundred and fifty pounds (£250) for the Block. The expenses for entertainment of Natives and travelling expenses will not exceed Ten pounds (£10). I would urge that the money be paid as soon as possible, the Natives being very sickly, and the money would be the means of providing them with food of a nourishing nature, of which they stand much in need.

Mr. Kemp being perhaps in Auckland will facilitate the arrangements relative to the purchases of this Block.

I have, &c., W. B. WHITE, Resident Magistrate.

No. 91.

THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER TO MR. COMMISSIONER KEMP.

Land Purchase Department, Auckland, October 6th, 1860.

WHARAPAKU.

To report on Reserve in SIR,the Whakapaku Block.

Rawiri Parawhati having made an application at this office for a Crown Grant for a piece of land called Motukahakaha, being a Native reserve in the Whakapaku Block, purchased by you on the 22nd December, 1856. It appears that the elder brother of Rawiri, called Ruakaitoke, was a party to the deed of sale, and the applicant's name does not appear on the Deed.

V. Letter No. 28.

I have, therefore, the honor to request that you will have the goodness to report the particulars connected with this reserve, and who you consider fairly entitled to it, for the information of the Government, with as little delay as possible.

I have, &c.,

Donald McLean, Chief Commissioner.

H. T. Kemp, Esq., J.P.,

District Commissioner,

Bay of Islands.

No. 92.

THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER TO MR. COMMISSIONER KEMP.

Native Land Purchase Department, Auckland, 15th December, 1860.

PARENGARENGA.

To report upon offer of land at Parengarenga.

Sir,-

I have the honor by direction of His Excellency the Governor to request that you will, with the least possible delay, proceed to Mangonui and Parengarenga for the purpose of enquiring into and reporting upon the offer by the Rarawa tribe of a Block of land at the latter place, the particulars of which you will learn by perusal of the letters addressed by W. B. White, Esq., to this office, copies of which are enclosed for your information.

I have, &c.,

Donald McLean,

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Chief Commissioner.

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