

# MAP OF WAITARA.

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COPY OF DESPATCH FROM GOVERNOR T. GORE BROWNE, C.B., TO HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF  
NEWCASTLE, K.G.

Government House, Auckland,  
New Zealand, 31st July, 1861.

MY LORD DUKE,—

I have the honor to forward a Report from Mr. Mackay, Assistant Native Secretary at Collingwood, in the Province of Nelson. *Vide Supra.*

It appears that this gentleman, while travelling, saw a plan of the land purchased at the Waitara, sketched in the sand by Ropoama and other Natives, the former of whom is the most important chief of the Ngatiawa Tribe.

The plan indicated clearly where Wm. King's patches of land are situated, and seems to have been approved by the whole party.

Mr. Mackay having no knowledge himself of the Waitara, copied the plan and sent it to the Native Secretary, in order that the independent and disinterested evidence of an important section of the Ngatiawas might be compared with that which had been previously received.

A Copy of this plan, and the one made by the Government Surveyors on the land are attached, by which your Grace will see that the two correspond, and that the portions of land belonging to Wm. King have been excluded from the purchase.

The evidence in this case is thoroughly impartial, the Rev. Henry Halcombe being brother-in-law to Mr. Fox.

I have, &c.,  
T. GORE BROWNE.

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G.,  
&c.,            &c.,            &c.

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