

No. 3.

MR. JOSEPH COOK TO THE CHIEF LAND PURCHASE COMMISSIONER.

Hauraki, 28th November, 1857.

DEAR SIR,—

I write to let you know that I have found some gold here, so that if it is the Government's wish to have a gold-field in this part of New Zealand, I think that it only wants you to try and make it all right with the Natives of Hauraki or Ngatimaru tribe. I think there would be an available gold-field here.

I have, &c..

JOSEPH COOK.

Chief Land Purchase Commissioner, Auckland.

No. 4.

THE CHIEF LAND PURCHASE COMMISSIONER TO MR. JOSEPH COOK.

Native Secretary's Office,
Auckland, December 17th, 1857.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo, relative to the discovery of gold by you, and I feel much obliged to you for the information therein contained.

May I request to be informed whether the gold-field referred to by you is that on the Kauranga Creek, and if so, whether you are of opinion that the Native owners would dispose of their claims to that land.

I have, &c..

DONALD McLEAN.

Mr. J. Cook, Hauraki.