

they must work for their living. And it seemed as if the needful restraint and discipline of a school were more than they could endure. The greatest number of Maoris that I had at one time would be about thirteen. In 1859 (September) I sent to the Bishop of New Zealand a written resignation of my position as acting-trustee, and after that time the management was taken up by the Rev. Richard Taylor and Major Durie. Major Durie and Mr. Basil Taylor have since been in the management. Mr. Godwin is the present master of the Collegiate School. The District Board of Education of Wellington made grants of money from time to time towards the support and maintenance of the school, the particulars of which will be found in the books now in Major Durie's possession. Nothing was more difficult than to induce the Maori children to do anything upon the land, and in order to raise the necessary supplies for the school, I was obliged to apply part of the moneys so granted in payment for other labour bestowed on the land. The success of the school during the time that I was connected with it was at least equal to that of similar institutions during the same period, though not in proportion to the exertions bestowed upon its management.

SATURDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1869.

Mr. Durie, being duly sworn, states: My name is David Stark Durie. I reside at Wanganui, and am Deputy Sheriff of the District. I am one of the attorneys of the trustees of the Industrial School Estate. The other attorney is the Rev. Basil Kirk Taylor, in the absence of his father. Our communications are only with the Bishop of Wellington. The land comprised in the grant, the copy whereof produced is referred to as Register 1, folio 39, is all occupied. The names and quantities of land held, and annual rents, are as follows:—

RENT ROLL of the INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ESTATE, Wanganui.

Names of Tenants.	Acreage.			Yearly Rent.			When Payable.	Remarks.
	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.		
Edward Thurling	5	2	0	5	10	0	Half yearly.	Most of the leases are dated in 1856, and will expire in 1877. Swamp land let at 13s per acre per annum.
J. Peapells	11	1	18	20	0	0		
Thomas Waters	12	2	10	9	10	0		
John Pawson	20	0	0	13	0	0		
John Pawson	28	2	26	16	10	0		
John Henson	10	2	0	6	17	0		
John Henson	26	1	30	17	0	0		
A. O'Connor	10	0	0	6	10	0		
John Hurley	14	3	24	9	0	0		
Edward Churton	11	1	20	22	0	0		
William Watt	8	2	16	23	0	0		
M. Mahony	7	2	0	15	0	0		
M. Mahony	21	2	9	14	0	0		
M. Mahony	10	0	0	30	0	0		
Mrs. Day	9	1	0	9	0	0		
John Kirkpatrick	25	0	32	26	10	0		
John Mahony	6	0	0	3	18	0		
School Reserve	9	0	0	...	...	...		
Allowance for Roads	1	2	15	...	...	...		
Totals	250	0	0	247	5	0		

26th October, 1869.

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Attorney.

In consequence of part of the lands let being swampy, an allowance was made in the rents to the tenants towards the expense of draining. The tenants have drained and otherwise improved the land. No portion is unlet except the five acres attached to the school. The portion of land occupied by Mr. Kirkpatrick is traversed by a line originally laid down as a street. The Town Board threatens to form this street. He has applied for a lease for twenty years at rents of £40 per annum for the first ten years, and £45 for the last ten years, but requires a clause providing for compensation should the street be formed. We have applied to the trustees in Wellington to obtain Counsel's opinion as to the powers of the Town Board in that behalf, but have had no reply. The income is expended in defraying the expenses of the school:—

	£	s.	d.
The salary of Mr. Godwin, the schoolmaster	150	0	0
To Mr. Holmes, schoolmaster at Wellington, for the board and education of one Native boy	50	0	0
„ Town Board rates, varying—the last year's amounting to	6	5	0
„ Insurance on residence last year, on £400	4	0	0
„ „ school building, on £150	1	10	0
Last year { Repairs	5	4	0
{ Prizes	2	0	0
Advertisements, &c.	1	10	0
Annual expense of luncheon to tenants on rent-day, about	1	10	0
	£221	19	0

When the house of the Rev. Mr. Nicholls was burnt, and the school had ceased to exist, the funds