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TARANAKI NEW ZEALAND COMPANY'S LAND  
CLAIMS ACT,

(REPORT OF COMMISSIONER UNDER).

*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by command of His Excellency.*

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No. 1.

Mr. G. S. COOPER to Mr. W. J. W. HAMILTON.

SIR,—

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 4th February, 1873.

I am directed by the Colonial Secretary to transmit to you the enclosed Commission under the hand of His Excellency the Governor in Council and the Seal of the Colony, appointing you to be a Commissioner under "The Taranaki New Zealand Company's Land Claims Act, 1872," a copy of which I transmit for your information.

I am to request you to be good enough to proceed to New Plymouth by the first opportunity, for the purpose of carrying out the intention of the Legislature as expressed in the second section of the Act.

I have, &c.,

G. S. COOPER,

Under Secretary.

W. J. W. Hamilton, Esq., Picton.

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G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

To WILLIAM JOHN WARBURTON HAMILTON, of Christchurch, in the Province of Canterbury, Esquire,—Greeting.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Taranaki New Zealand Company's Land Claims Act, 1872," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor to issue to any such claimant as in the said Act mentioned, land orders in the form in the Schedule to the said Act, which shall authorize such claimant to purchase, to an amount to be fixed in each case by a Commissioner or other officer, not being a resident in the Province of Taranaki, to be appointed by the Governor in Council, any of the lands of the Crown in the said Province open for sale or selection, subject to the terms and conditions in the said Act set forth: And whereas for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of the said Act, it is desirable and expedient that such Commissioner should be appointed:

Now therefore, I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, reposing full confidence in your integrity, skill, and ability, do hereby, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, and in exercise and in pursuance of every power or authority enabling me in this behalf, appoint you the said William John Warburton Hamilton, not being a resident in the said Province, to be the Commissioner under the said Act, with all the powers, duties, and authorities by the said Act conferred or imposed on, or to be exercised by, such Commissioner.

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice Admiral of the same, at the Government House at Wellington; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, this twenty-ninth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

G. M. WATERHOUSE, Presiding.

Approved in Council,  
FORSTER GORING,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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No. 2.

Mr. J. W. HAMILTON to the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SIR,—

Wellington, 24th March, 1873.

In reference to your letter quoted in the margin, enclosing commission of His Excellency the No. 55, Feb. 4, Governor in Council, of 29th January last, issued to me under "The Taranaki New Zealand Company's 1873.

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Land Claims Act, 1872," I have the honor to enclose, for presentation to His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, my report of proceedings and award of this day's date, made in accordance with clause 2 of the Act.

I have, &c.,

J. W. HAMILTON,

Commissioner under "The Taranaki N.Z. Company's  
Land Claims Act, 1872."

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Wellington.

To His Excellency Sir GEORGE ARNEY, Knight, Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand, and the Officer Administering the Government, and Vice-Admiral thereof.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Having been appointed by commission bearing date the 29th of January, 1873, under the Seal of the Colony and the hand of His Excellency the Governor in Council, to be the Commissioner under "The Taranaki New Zealand Company's Land Claims Act, 1872," to fix the amounts up to which Edward John Sartoris and Edwin Henry Downe, and all other holders of unsatisfied New Plymouth land orders, should be allowed to purchase Crown lands open for sale in the Province of Taranaki, I have the honor to submit for your Excellency's consideration the following

#### REPORT AND AWARD.

On receipt of my commission, at Picton, on the 5th February, I took passage by steamer *via* Nelson, arriving at Taranaki on the 8th. On the Monday following (10th February), the Commissioner of Crown Lands, J. Stephenson Smith, Esq., supplied me with a schedule of the New Plymouth land orders—fifty-seven in all—appearing by the records in his office to be still unsatisfied. A copy of the schedule is appended. It shows the name of each original holder, the number of his land order and of the section of land originally selected by him, as set out on the authenticated maps of the New Zealand Company's Settlement of New Plymouth, the name of the district in which the land is situated, and whether from such returns as are in the Commissioner's possession any scrip has been issued or exercised on account of such land orders.

I found that His Honor Frederick Carrington, Superintendent of Taranaki, represented by power of attorney the claimants under quite one-half of the land orders; only one claimant was represented by a resident at New Plymouth holding distinct power of attorney; for only two others could I discover attorneys, one of whom resides at Wellington, the other at Rangiora in Canterbury. I have made out and appended for future reference a statement showing, as far as could be ascertained, where inquiry would probably be successful in finding out the representatives of the original holders of the orders.

To avoid unnecessary delay and expense, I did not undertake the task of verifying any powers or titles of persons claiming now to exercise privileges which the present award may concede to original holders. It seemed that this duty would more properly devolve on the local Crown Land officers.

The Act seems to aim at shutting out all claims whatsoever at the end of two years from the date of the award. Some of the original holders of the land orders are dead, others left the Colony long ago; within the two years, their representatives over seas may hardly have had time to learn that rights of fresh purchase have accrued to them. To prevent these persons bringing forward claims at too late a date, it would probably be only fair to them that the Crown Land officers at Taranaki should be instructed to make diligent inquiry, by letter and otherwise, to trace out such representatives, and to call upon them at once to exercise their rights.

It is possible, though the Commissioner of Crown Lands thinks it hardly probable, that some two or three land orders may still be outstanding and unsatisfied, of which there is no record either in his office or in the Chief Surveyor's. Should any such order be forthcoming at a future date, I think I shall be fully able to make an award upon it, if called upon to do so. To meet a case of this kind, I am keeping by me all the memoranda of information obtained during the present inquiry.

I found that I should at first after arrival at Taranaki be somewhat dependent on His Honor Mr. Carrington (as the only resident attorney, but one for the bulk of the claims) for the earliest information by which to guide myself in forming any plan of proceedings. His Honor was at this time much engaged with the Hon. the Native Minister, and in preparations for a special meeting of the Provincial Council. After this he was obliged to be absent at Auckland for a few days. The Chief Surveyor and two or three residents who were able to afford much valuable information were also absent. These circumstances rendered my stay at Taranaki somewhat more protracted than could have been anticipated. Some plans also required a little time for preparation. In the meanwhile, seeing that large amounts in the aggregate were involved in my decision, I embraced every opportunity of becoming personally acquainted with the districts in the vicinity of the town, and thence to the Waitara, and with the values of property as given by those persons who might be considered the most reliable and competent authorities.

The Act of 1872, under which my commission was drawn, seems in the preamble so distinctly to include the Sartoris and Downe and other outstanding Taranaki claims in the same category as those provided for by the Carrington Land Grant Act of 1871, that I could only infer that the intention was that compensation should be adjusted on the same principle. A careful perusal of the Sartoris and Downe correspondence, and of the records connected therewith, upon which the Carrington Land Grant Act of 1871 is based, indicates that the compensation value rested in the main on the existing values in 1870 and 1871 of the lands which the claimant held under the original selection made some twenty-eight or thirty years ago, but which holding was determined when Governor Fitzroy disallowed Mr. Commissioner Spain's Taranaki award.

The basis, therefore, on which my present award rests is mainly, but not solely, the present estimated selling cash value of the sections as originally chosen, and taking them as unimproved at this

date. The recorded transfers of property being so very few, and transactions mostly extending over such limited areas, and opinions of value varying so widely, no current market price of land could be said to exist at the present date. It was requisite, therefore, to take some time over cautious inquiry, and comparison of the views of those whose estimate was very low, as of those whose enthusiasm and perhaps speculative hopefulness led them to gauge values by a high standard, especially about Waitara, as a great port of the early future.

Before forming a final opinion, I found it desirable that I should acquire some general knowledge of the southern portion of the Province. I therefore returned to Wellington by coach. To the southward of the Mount Egmont Ranges I passed through an open belt of land, abundantly grassed and well watered, and apparently very fertile. This belt has varying breadths of six, eight, and thirteen miles back from the beach to the forest, and stretches along the coast as far as Waitotara. It seems impossible to escape the conviction that the declaring this rich tract open for purchase and settlement must to some extent affect values in the northern portion of the Taranaki Province. In fact, portions of this tract are at present under settlement, and are being rapidly stocked with both sheep and cattle, while the near completion of a very fine coach road is rendering it every day more accessible.

I have not lost sight of the advantage which the claimants will enjoy, of being able to defer making choice of their new land for a period of two years to come; for during this interval, owing to the increase of population and to the peaceful condition of the country, it can hardly be disputed that the area of choice open to the claimants will have acquired an improved and more definite value, while it will then be far more certain which would be the most promising district to select from.

It should be stated that each original New Plymouth land order entitled the holder to select a fifty-acre section of rural land. It contained, however, provisions specially guarding the Company who issued it from being held answerable to the holder for their inability to give him possession and occupation, in consequence of any Act of the Colonial Government.

Besides the points I have mentioned, several considerations which it would be difficult to give in writing with reasonable brevity, have weighed with me in arriving at the values set out in the award against individual claims. After all, and whatever care and pains may be bestowed on it, an award in such a case as the present one can at best be only arbitrarily arrived at.

The award is intended to be in full satisfaction of all claims, but is not intended to interfere with any scrip now afloat and unexercised in respect of the original land orders. It seems very doubtful if any such scrip is now outstanding; if it is so, it was in all probability a subject of sale and transfer long ago, and there are no means of arriving at any information respecting it until it may be presented for credit in some future purchase of Crown land.

It is my duty to acknowledge the courtesy and kindness of His Honor Frederick Carrington, Esq., the Superintendent, of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, the Collector of Customs, the District Registrar of Land and Deeds, the Chief Surveyor, and of a great number of private gentlemen of experience and long residence at Taranaki, all of whom most readily gave me every assistance in their power in facilitating my inquiries.

The enclosed award I beg humbly to submit to your Excellency, trusting that it may meet with your approval and confirmation.

I have, &c.,

J. W. HAMILTON,  
Commissioner.

Wellington, 24th March, 1873.

## Enclosure 1 in No. 2.

List of Unexercised Original Land Orders, Suburban and Rural, showing the Numbers of the Sections as first selected, District in which situated; with remarks whether Scrip has been exercised or not.

Name of Original Owner.	No. of Land Order.	No. of Section chosen.	District where situated.	Remarks on Scrip.
Suburban.				
Brown and Goodall ...	51	128	Waiwakaio	No return of scrip having been issued.
Everingham, J. F. ...	5	131	"	"
Gover, Emily ...	20	144	"	"
Gover, Wm. Glegg ...	37	99	"	"
" " " ...	38	124	"	"
Marshall, Edward ...	48	114	"	Scrip not exercised.
St. Aubyn, Edmund Edward	40	80	"	No return of scrip having been issued.
Rural.				
Bulkeley, John Jesse ...	72	258	Waiongona	Scrip not exercised.
" " " ...	73	276	"	"
" " " ...	74	422	"	"
" " " ...	75	276 <sub>A</sub>	"	"
Barrow, John ...	76	322	Waitara	No return of scrip having been exercised.
Birch, Richard William ...	53	326	"	"
" " " ...	54	327	"	"
Bateman, Robert ...	187	*	*	"
Bulteel, John Croker ...	145	*	*	"
Gutch, George ...	128	266	Waiongona	"
" " " ...	129	267	"	"
Hales, Edward ...	13	631	Waitara	"
Lewthwaite, John ...	91	360	"	"
" " " ...	117	212	Mangoraka	"
" " " ...	70	218	"	"
" " " ...	92	454	Waitara	"
" " " ...	115	257	Mangoraka	"
" " " ...	138	214	"	"
Hughlings, Harry ...	55	321	Waitara	"
Morgan Joseph ...	130	316	Waitara	Scrip not exercised.
" " " ...	131	317	"	"
Marshall, Edmund ...	36	330	"	"
" " " ...	37	333	"	"
Ogilvey, Alexander Charles	5	318	"	No return of scrip having been exercised.
Parker, Charles Thomas ...	84	315	"	Scrip not exercised.
Singlehurst, Robert ...	170	*	*	No return of scrip having been exercised.
Tunno, Edward Rose ...	94	279	Waiongona	"
" " " ...	95	280	"	"
" " " ...	96	281	"	"
" " " ...	97	282	"	"
" " " ...	98	323	Waitara	"
" " " ...	99	312	"	"
" " " ...	101	269	Waiongona	"
" " " ...	102	270	"	"
" " " ...	103	271	"	"
" " " ...	104	272	"	"
" " " ...	105	273	"	"
" " " ...	106	250	"	"
" " " ...	107	253	"	"
" " " ...	108	252	"	"
" " " ...	109	249	"	"
" " " ...	110	294	"	"
" " " ...	111	293	"	"
" " " ...	112	255	"	"
" " " ...	113	256	"	"
Wells, John ...	124	337	Waitara	Scrip exercised.
" " " ...	125	338	"	"
" " " ...	126	342	"	"
" " " ...	127	341	"	"
Weir, Nicholas ...	139	236	Mangoraka	No return of scrip being exercised.

\* NOTE.—Each of these land orders represents a purchase of the right to select fifty acres of land.

No selection was made in virtue of land orders Nos. 187, 145, 170, belonging to R. Bateman, J. C. Bulteel, and R. Singlehurst, respectively. It has been assumed that, as the district most coveted at the time the Taranaki settlers first made their selections was the Waitara, these three gentlemen or their agents would naturally, had a choice been made, have selected as near as might be to the Waitara, and to the sections of those persons who hold the next preceding orders of choice. Values have accordingly been assigned to their land orders as if they had so chosen their sections of land.

The list shows all the unexercised land orders of which the Commissioner of Crown Lands has any records in his possession.

March, 1873.

J. W. HAMILTON, Commissioner,  
"Taranaki N.Z. Co.'s Land Claims Act, 1872."

*Claim of Sir Edward St. Aubyn, by his Attorney, Richard Chilman, under "The Taranaki New Zealand Company's Land Claims Act, 1872."*

The claimant purchased two suburban land orders from the New Zealand Company in October, 1840, for one of which he selected suburban section No. 80, near the Waikakahi River, within two miles of the town. This land is a portion of the Pukutotara Reserve, given to the Natives by Governor Fitzroy. It was a very valuable section, partly fern and partly bush. The present value is about £6 (six pounds) per acre, but at the time the claimant was dispossessed of it, it was worth a great deal more, owing to its proximity to the town, and to the circumstance that there was then very little land in the market. No compensation has been received by the claimant from the New Zealand Company on account of non-possession.

New Plymouth, 19th January, 1873.

RICHARD CHILMAN,  
Attorney for Sir Edward St. Aubyn.

*Claim of Robert Bateman under "The Taranaki New Zealand Company's Land Claims Act, 1872."*

The claimant purchased a suburban land order from the New Zealand Company on the 21st December, 1843. No selection was made under it, owing to his agent not having a power of attorney. The land selected for land orders issued at the same date was in the Mangaraka District, near what is called the Railway Reserve, and adjoining land granted to the late Colonel Lepper, the present value of which is about £2 per acre.

New Plymouth, 19th February, 1873.

RICHARD CHILMAN,  
(for Robert Bateman).

Mr. W. HALSE to Mr. J. W. HAMILTON.

SIR,—

New Plymouth, 3rd March, 1873.

I have the honor to state that I am instructed by Mr. Cutfield, the mortgagee, to submit the claims of Mr. John Lewthwaite, the holder of six rural land orders, for settlement under "The Taranaki New Zealand Company's Land Claims Act, 1872." Mr. Lewthwaite was for some years a resident in the Province, having arrived out in the year 1841; but being unable to deal with the land selected for his land orders, he returned to England some years since, after mortgaging the land orders to Mr. Cutfield.

I understand that Mr. Lewthwaite signed the agreement made by the New Zealand Company with their resident purchasers; but he did not avail himself of its provisions, or subsequently of the Land Act of 1853, from the inability of the authorities to offer him land in any way equivalent to the original selections. These were made at Waitara, Waiongona, and Mangoraka districts—as regards position and quality of soil, not equalled by any other in the Province.

The Act does not provide for holders of land orders appearing and urging their claims, and in this respect contrasts unfavourably with "The Carrington Land Act, 1871," dealing with claims in no respect differing from Mr. Lewthwaite's, by giving a rate of compensation already assented to by the claimant. It will therefore, I trust, not be deemed out of place to ask on behalf of a claimant absent from the Colony that his land orders may be dealt with at not less than £5 the acre.

I have, &c.,  
W. HALSE.

Mr. C. W. PEMBERTON to Mr. J. W. HAMILTON.

SIR,—

Office, Rangiora, 8th February, 1873.

As I have been informed that you have been appointed Commissioner to investigate the claims of original holders of New Zealand Company's land orders in certain books in the Province of Taranaki, I beg to inform you that I hold, under power of attorney from Robert Pemberton, Esq., land order No. 5, order of choice No. 36. This land was selected near the town of New Plymouth, and subsequently taken possession of by the Natives. I believe it is situate on the Devon Road. I shall feel greatly obliged if you inform me what steps it will be necessary to take in the matter.

W. J. W. Hamilton, Esq.

I have, &c.,  
C. W. PEMBERTON.

## Enclosure 2 in No. 2.

STATEMENT showing the Names of Persons claiming to be Attorneys under regular Power of Attorney, or to be Authorized Agents for Original Holders of New Plymouth Land Orders, or claiming to be interested, as having some lien over such Orders, so far as could be ascertained in February and March, 1873.

Name of Original Holders.	Names of Agents, so far as ascertained.
Brown and Goodall ...	No representative found; Mr. Brown stated to have gone to Adelaide, Mr. Goodall to have died—supposed at Sydney. Mr. Hirst, of Taranaki, most likely person to find out claimants' heirs.
Everingham, T. F. ...	Claimant stated to be dead. Land order said to have been purchased for benefit of claimant's daughter, Mrs. Holton, who was, with her husband, Mr. Holton (once a resident near Rangiora, Canterbury), residing in March, 1873, on the south side of the Devon Road, just beyond the tannery or fellmonger's, past the Henui Bridge. Mr. C. F. Pemberton, of Rangiora, formerly on the Provincial Government Survey Staff at Canterbury, claims, in February, 1873, to hold power of attorney from Mr. Robert Pemberton, and also the land order itself, No. 5.
Gover, Emily ...	His Honor Frederick Carrington most likely person to find out representatives.
„ Mrs. Glegg ...	His Honor F. Carrington.
Marshall, Edward ...	Mr. Richard Chilman, power of attorney.
St. Aubyn, Edward ...	Mr. Standish, solicitor, would, on behalf of Captain King, be able to find out representatives.
Bulkeley, John Jesse ...	Not known.
Barron, John ...	This holder supposed to belong to Yorkshire. Mr. Hirst, of Taranaki, might be able to find out his representative.
Birch, Richard William ...	Mr. Richard Chilman would be able to obtain power.
Bateman, Robert ...	Mr. Cook, a tailor, residing on the Beach Road, Wellington, between Allan the chemist's and the corner of Government House fencing, holds power of attorney.
Gutch, George ...	Mr. W. W. Taylor, of Wellington, said to hold power of attorney.
Hales, Edward ...	Mr. W. Halse, solicitor, of New Plymouth, a solicitor for Mr. George Cutfield, mortgagee of the land orders, claims a beneficial interest in these orders.
Lewthwaite, John ...	His Honor Frederick Carrington, power of attorney.
Hughlings, Harry* ...	Do. do. do.
Morgan, Joseph* ...	These holders' rights seem to have been purchased by Mr. Edwin Henry Downe.
Marshall, Edmund ...	Mr. W. Halse, solicitor, would find out representatives or heirs.
Ogilvy, Alexander Charles ...	His Honor Frederick Carrington, power of attorney.
Parker, Charles Thomas* ...	Do. do. do.
Tunno, Edward Rose ...	Do. do. do.
Wells, John ...	Do. do. do.
Weir, Nicholas ...	Mr. George Cutfield supposed to be able to find representative.

\* In the award, the four sections 315, 316, 317, 321, belonging to Harry Hughlings, Joseph Morgan (two sections), and Charles Thomas Parker, all in the site laid out as the Ruleigh Township, at Waitara, were valued in one lot, Mr. Carrington stating that they all now belonged to the heirs of E. Henry Downe, who had purchased them.

J. W. HAMILTON, Commissioner,  
“Taranaki N.Z. Company's Land Claims Act, 1872.”

Wellington, 24th March, 1873.

## Enclosure 3 in No. 2.

“The Taranaki New Zealand Company's Land Claims Act, 1872.”

*In the matter of Sartoris and Downe, and other Holders of unsatisfied New Plymouth Land Orders, Award with Schedule attached.*

I, the undersigned, Commissioner appointed under the above Act, by Commission bearing date 29th day of January, 1873, under the hand of His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, and under Seal of the Colony, do hereby, under the powers, duties, and authorities by the said Act conferred or imposed on or to be exercised by me as such Commissioner, declare that I have fixed the amount to which each claimant or holder of any unsatisfied New Plymouth land order shall be authorized to purchase lands of the Crown in the Province of Taranaki, as prescribed by clause 2 of the said Act, and that such amounts are set out in the Schedule hereunto annexed, and against the respective names of the original holders of such land orders; and that the total sum thereof amounts to £17,060, as shown at the foot of the said Schedule. And I do declare this, together with the said Schedule, to be my award under the said clause 2 of the said Act.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this 24th day of March, A.D. 1873.

W. J. W. HAMILTON,  
Commissioner as aforesaid.

SCHEDULE showing Names of Original Holders of New Plymouth Land Orders certified by J. Stephenson Smith, Esq., Commissioner of Crown Lands for Taranaki; the Numbers of the Sections originally chosen by such Holders, as set out on the authenticated Map of the New Zealand Company's New Plymouth Settlement, and the Amounts awarded by the Commissioners appointed under clause 2 of "The Taranaki New Zealand Company's Land Claims Act, 1872."

Names of Original Holders.	No. of Section.	Acres.	Claim Value at per Acre.	Amount of Commis- sioners' Award.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brown and Goodall ... ..	128	50	3 5 0	162 10 0
Everingham ... ..	131	50	4 10 0	225 0 0
Gover, Emily ... ..	144	50	4 0 0	200 0 0
Gover, Wm. Glegg ... ..	99	50	3 0 0	150 0 0
Ditto ... ..	124	50	4 0 0	200 0 0
Marshall, Edward Edmond ... ..	114	50	4 10 0	225 0 0
St. Aubyn, Ed. ... ..	80	50	4 10 0	225 0 0
Bulkeley, John Jesse ... ..	258	200	3 0 0	600 0 0
Ditto ... ..	276			
Ditto ... ..	422			
Ditto ... ..	276A			
Barrow, John ... ..	322	50	4 5 0	212 10 0
Birch, Richd. Wm. ... ..	326	100	4 5 0	425 0 0
Ditto ... ..	327			
Bateman, Robert, Land Order No. 187 ... ..	...	50	2 0 0	100 0 0
Bulteel, John Crocker, Land Order No. 145. No selection made ... ..	...	50	2 10 0	125 0 0
Gutch, George ... ..	128	100	3 5 0	325 0 0
Ditto ... ..	129			
Hales, Edward ... ..	631	50	1 10 0	75 0 0
Lewthwaite, John ... ..	360	100	3 0 0	300 0 0
Ditto ... ..	454			
Ditto ... ..	212	150	3 0 0	450 0 0
Ditto ... ..	214			
Ditto ... ..	257			
Ditto ... ..	218	50	3 15 0	187 10 0
Marshall, Edmund ... ..	330	100	3 10 0	350 0 0
Ditto ... ..	333			
Ogilvy, Alexander Charles ... ..	318	50	4 5 0	212 10 0
Singlehurst, Robert, Land Order No. 170. No selection made ... ..	...	50	2 0 0	100 0 0
Tunno, Edward Rose ... ..	279	200	3 10 0	700 0 0
Ditto ... ..	280			
Ditto ... ..	281			
Ditto ... ..	282			
Ditto ... ..	*312	*50	4 10 0	225 0 0
Ditto ... ..	269	550	3 10 0	1925 0 0
Ditto ... ..	270			
Ditto ... ..	271			
Ditto ... ..	272			
Ditto ... ..	273			
Ditto ... ..	249			
Ditto ... ..	250			
Ditto ... ..	252			
Ditto ... ..	253			
Ditto ... ..	255			
Ditto ... ..	256	100	4 0 0	400 0 0
Ditto ... ..	293			
Ditto ... ..	294			
Ditto ... ..	323			
Ditto ... ..	337	200	3 10 0	700 0 0
Ditto ... ..	338			
Ditto ... ..	342			
Ditto ... ..	341			
Weir, Nicholas ... ..	236	50	3 4 0	160 0 0
In all 53 sections, comprising each 50 acres=2,650 acres ...				£9,060 0 0

\* NOTE.—The greater portion of this section No. 312, is included in the back and least valuable part of the site now laid out for the township of Raleigh, on the Waitara River.

The four following sections are entirely situated within the present site of the town of Raleigh and on the west bank of the River Waitara. A great portion of them are in the most valuable positions in the township. They are valued in one lot, as all belong to the heirs of Edwin Henry Downe.

Names of Original Holders.	No. of Section.	Acres.	Claim Value per Acre.	Amount of Commissioners' Award.
Parker, Chas. Thos. ... ..	315	200	...	£ s. d.
Morgan, Joseph ... ..	316			8,000 0 0
Ditto ... ..	317			
Hughlings, Henry ... ..	321			
Gross total of award ... ..	...	...	...	17,060 0 0

Seventeen thousand and sixty pounds sterling.

I have, &c.,  
J. W. HAMILTON,  
Commissioner appointed under "The Taranaki N.Z. Company's  
Land Claims Act, 1872."  
Wellington, 24th March, 1873.