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NEW ZEALAND.

STATEMENT RELATIVE TO LAND PURCHASES, NORTH ISLAND.

Under Immigration and Public Works Acts of 1870 and 1873.

BY THE HON. THE NATIVE MINISTER, SIR D. McLEAN.

Mr. SPEAKER,—

In pursuance of the course adopted last year, I propose to lay before the House a statement of the land purchase operations of the Government under the Immigration and Public Works Acts for the year ended 30th June, 1876; but before doing so, I may be permitted to make a few general remarks for the information of honorable members.

It will be remembered that in the statement I had the honor to make last year, I took occasion to mention some of the obstacles which had to be contended with by the Government in the task of acquiring a landed estate for the North Island, not the least of which was the superior advantages held by the experienced agents of capitalists and speculators in buying up large tracts of country. I am happy to inform the House that during the past year the Government Agents have been less exposed to obstruction in carrying out to a satisfactory issue their arrangements with the Natives.

To the north of Auckland several valuable blocks of land have been purchased, some of which are well adapted for settlement. Some delay took place in completing these transactions, from the circumstance that the land could not be passed through the Native Land Court till proper surveys had been made. These having been accomplished, no difficulty was experienced in bringing negotiations to a successful issue; and of the one hundred and one transactions originally entered into, nearly the whole have been completed; 443,856 acres have been acquired at a cost (inclusive of expenses) of £43,895 1s. 8d., or 2s. per acre.

The value of many of these blocks was not really known till the country had been opened up by surveys; and it is reported by the surveyors and Europeans in the district who have inspected the land that they are eminently adapted for settlement. Appeals have on more than one occasion been made by the Natives to have these lands peopled by an English population, and they have readily disposed of some of the best of their lands to induce European settlement.

Viewing the large extent of country that has been from time to time acquired from the Natives in the North, and the representations that have been made by the District Officer, appointed under the Native Land Act of 1873, as to the quantity of land still in the possession of the Natives, it has become a question for consideration whether, after the present negotiations are completed, it would be right, regard being had to the wants of the Natives, for the Government to acquire any more land in that district.

Most of the lands to the north of Auckland in the possession of the Natives are, through the medium of the Native Land Court, held under Crown grant; and the cordial relations which exist between them and their European neighbours indicate that the time has arrived when the Ngapuhi and Karama tribes may be considered as upon an equal footing with the Europeans.

Of the lands purchased to the north of Auckland, 229,559 acres have been handed over to the province to be dealt with under the existing land laws.

I will take next in order—the Coromandel and Thames District. Many circumstances have, during the past year, tended to retard the completion of these purchases. Several of the blocks have been before the Native Land Court, and the Native owners ascertained, and are in a fair way of being finally acquired, the conveyances to the Crown only requiring one or two signatures to complete the purchases. One of these blocks is the Waikawau and Moehau, containing 118,802 acres, upon which payments have been made amounting to £15,930 6s. 9d. Several of the purchases in this district are encumbered with timber leases, having currency for periods varying from 21 to 99 years. The above lands are of little value for agricultural purposes, but the Superintendent of Auckland, whom the Government, under “The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1870,” were bound to consult, urged upon the Colonial Government the desirability of acquiring the fee-simple in the belief that the lands were auriferous. It must also be borne in mind that these purchases were recommended with the full knowledge that these leases existed. So strongly was the then Superintendent, Mr. Gillies, impressed with the importance that the purchases should be made without delay, that he represented to the Government the desirability of keeping the Land Purchase Agent supplied with money, and even made advances out of his own means to accomplish this object. I will quote his own words:—

“Being personally aware that a very large sum might be saved to the colony and the province on this purchase (Waikawau and Cape Colville Blocks) by dealing with the Natives at a tangi at Ohinemuri, I felt myself justified in advancing to Mr. Mackay the sum of two thousand pounds for that purpose. I proceeded with Mr. Mackay to Ohinemuri, and was present when he was negotiating with the Natives there assembled, and I feel convinced that a large saving, both in time and money, was effected by his being placed in funds promptly to conduct these negotiations. I trust that you will approve of my action in this matter, and that the amount advanced will be at once repaid. Permit me further to suggest that provision should be made in future for providing funds by which advantage can be taken promptly of such circumstances as the above, which occasionally arise.”

There are certain blocks of land on the Upper Thames, Waitoa, and Piako Rivers, amounting to an estimated area of 200,000 acres, the purchase of a principal part of which it is believed will soon be completed. A considerable portion of these lands are looked upon as suitable for settlement. Mr. Mackay has for some time been endeavouring to arrange the differences of the Native owners in respect to boundaries, and has succeeded in getting several blocks surveyed, so that I hope at no distant period these lands will be thrown open for sale and occupation.

The purchases in the Thames district that have been completed amount to 145,441 acres, at a cost (inclusive of expenses) of £23,231 17s. 1d., or 3s. 3d. per acre.

Owing to difficulties interposed by one or two sections of the Arawa tribe, it has been deemed prudent to discontinue for the present all land purchases in the Bay of Plenty District. The nature of those obstructions will be seen by reference to the reports of the Land Purchase Agents, already laid on the Table of the House. The agents have consequently been withdrawn.

At Taupo the like difficulties were not encountered, and larger areas have been acquired, either by purchase or lease. The survey of 62,787 acres have already been completed, and further surveys are in progress over lands estimated to contain 261,000 acres.

In these districts, 99,974 acres have been purchased at a cost of £14,258 11s. 6d., or about 2s. 10d. per acre.

I will now refer to the East Coast and Wairoa Districts. In the former very little has been completed, although large areas are under negotiation. Land purchase arrangements in this district being now the subject of inquiry, need not at present be further alluded to.

In the Upper Wairoa large blocks have been acquired to the extent of 146,080 acres. I may here mention the great change that has come over Native feeling in the interior of that part of the country. The Urewera, a tribe but a few years ago at deadly feud with us, and who, even after friendly relations were established pertinaciously refused to sell an inch of their lands, were considerable owners in these blocks. With some hesitation they submitted to allow these claims to be adjudicated upon by the Native Land Court; their claims were heard, and they were well satisfied with the result; and yielding to the persuasion of the co-claimants of other tribes, joined in the sale, and received their share of the money. Ample reserves have been set apart for the Natives, which are not included in the figures quoted above.

The transactions within the Province of Auckland completed since the 30th June, 1875, are,—

| | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------|
| North of Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 165,661 acres |
| Thames | ... | ... | ... | 4,205 „ |
| Taupo | ... | ... | ... | 19,423 „ |
| Upper Wairoa | ... | ... | ... | 146,080 „ |
| Total | ... | ... | ... | 335,369 „ |

The total results of the land purchases in the Auckland Province since 1872 are as follows:—

| | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------|
| North of Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 443,856 acres |
| Thames | ... | ... | ... | 145,441 „ |
| Bay of Plenty and Taupo | ... | ... | ... | 99,974 „ |
| East Coast and Wairoa | ... | ... | ... | 146,357 „ |
| Total | ... | ... | ... | 835,628 „ |

at a total cost of £103,009 12s. 11d. (inclusive of survey and incidental expenses), at an average price of 2s. 5½d. per acre.

In the Hawke's Bay District no purchases have been made during the year.

In Wellington fair progress has been made, and several purchases have been satisfactorily completed. I would, however, point out that the quantities as set forth in last year's Statement were greatly over-estimated. Since then surveys have been made, and the actual acreage ascertained. I will allude to this subject again presently.

The transactions completed since 30th June, 1875, amount to 58,425 acres.

The total of the purchases in the Wellington Province amount to 440,927 acres, at a cost of £58,409 13s., or 2s. 8d. per acre, including all expenses.

The area of the land surveyed during the past year was 69,113 acres. A large amount of survey work has to be done before the whole of the transactions in this district can be correctly computed. The area of the land handed over to local administration amounts to 179,944 acres.

In the Taranaki Province the engagements that stood open on the 30th June, 1875, have, during the past year, been completed. Since then arrangements for acquiring 41,252 acres have been entered into. Negotiations have also been begun for the purchase of several large blocks of heavily timbered land estimated to contain about 200,000 acres.

The purchases completed during the past year amount to 82,381 acres, making a total for the Taranaki District of 252,880 acres, at a cost of £36,393 0s. 3d., about 2s. 10½d. per acre. The lands handed over to be administered under local land laws were 87,269 acres.

Recapitulation of land purchases in the several provinces which have been completed:—

| | | | | |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------|
| Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 835,628 acres |
| Hawke's Bay | ... | ... | ... | 240,537 „ |
| Wellington | ... | ... | ... | 440,927 „ |
| Taranaki | ... | ... | ... | 252,880 „ |
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| | | | | 1,769,972 „ |

The lands held under lease are in the Province of Auckland, and amount to 339,499 acres. So that the completed transactions, including the leases, cover an area of 2,109,471 acres.

To give some idea of the extent of the work completed, I may mention that 245 deeds, representing 1,924,602 acres, have been received in Wellington, and have been deposited in the Crown Lands Office.

When it is considered that each block, however small, involved a great deal of time and patience, unlike similar negotiations with Europeans, the result as shown above may, I think, be considered very satisfactory.

I will now say a few words on the uncompleted transactions. In the district to the north of Auckland there are twenty-seven blocks, representing 57,536 acres, which have been surveyed, and are awaiting investigation in the Native Land Court. On these lands advances have been made. As soon as the Court has decided upon the proper Native owners, there is no reason why these should not be completed immediately after. There are twelve other blocks to the north of Auckland, not included in the above, now being surveyed, and which also will be submitted to the Native Land Court, and closed as soon practicable.

The incomplete transactions for the purchase and lease of lands are as follows:—

PURCHASES.

| | | | | |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------|
| Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 1,937,852 acres |
| Hawke's Bay | ... | ... | ... | 22,000 „ |
| Wellington | ... | ... | ... | 694,763 „ |
| Taranaki | ... | ... | ... | 41,252 „ |
| Total | ... | ... | ... | 2,695,867 „ |

LEASES.

| | | | | |
|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------|
| Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 1,171,077 acres |
| Wellington | ... | ... | ... | 307,833 „ |
| | | | | 1,478,912 „ |

I have not included in these figures the estimated 200,000 acre blocks in the Taranaki Province.

The land purchase transactions last year, in a return laid before Parliament last Session, show as follow:—

| | | | | |
|-------------|----------------------|-----|-----|-----------------|
| Complete. | Purchased lands | ... | ... | 1,331,522 acres |
| „ | Leased lands | ... | ... | 391,601 „ |
| Incomplete. | Lands under purchase | ... | ... | 2,941,842 „ |
| „ | Lands under lease | ... | ... | 1,522,502 „ |
| Total | ... | ... | ... | 6,187,467 „ |

At the close of the year ended 30th June, 1876, the several purchases and leases are as follow:—

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|------------------|
| Purchased land complete | ... | ... | 1,769,972 acres. |
| Leased land complete | ... | ... | 339,499 „ |
| Purchases incomplete | ... | ... | 2,695,867 „ |
| Leases incomplete | ... | ... | 1,478,912 „ |
| Total | ... | ... | 6,284,250 „ |

From the above figures, as compared with those given last year, it would appear that the negotiations entered into during the year represent only 96,783 acres; but this is not the case, the actual area brought under negotiation being 573,916 acres. The difference is explained by the fact that some areas approximately given in last year's return have in certain instances proved less, on actual survey, than the estimate.

For instance, in Auckland the areas were under-estimated by 45,650 acres ; whereas in Wellington the land was over-estimated by 506,033 acres, in Hawke's Bay by 15,000 acres, and in Taranaki by 1,750 acres, making an actual difference of 477,133 acres over-estimated. The deficiency is, however, more than made up by the transactions of the present year, which are stated thus :—

| | | | | | |
|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------|
| Auckland | ... | ... | ... | ... | 522,664 acres |
| Wellington | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10,000 „ |
| Taranaki | ... | ... | ... | ... | 41,252 „ |
| Total | | | | | 573,916 „ |

The following is a summary of the transactions completed last year :—

| | | | |
|---|-----|-----|---------------|
| Auckland.—Mangonui | ... | ... | 11,884 acres |
| Hokianga | ... | ... | 35,300 „ |
| Kaipara | ... | ... | 117,595 „ |
| Whangarei | ... | ... | 882 „ |
| Total North of Auckland | | | 165,661 acres |
| Thames | ... | ... | 4,205 „ |
| Taupo | ... | ... | 19,423 „ |
| Wairoa | ... | ... | 146,080 „ |
| Total Auckland | | | 335,369 „ |
| Wellington | ... | ... | 58,425 „ |
| Taranaki | ... | ... | 82,381 „ |
| Total Purchased | | | 476,175 „ |
| Leased | | | 138,971 „ |
| Total Purchased and Leased during year ended 30th June, 1876... | | | 615,146 „ |

GENERAL SUMMARY.

The several purchases and leases completed and incomplete up to the 30th June last, and the total expenditure, are shown in the following table :—

| — | | Purchases. | Leases. | Total Expenditure. | |
|------------------------|-----|------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| | | Acres. | Acres. | £ | s. d. |
| Transactions completed | ... | 1,769,972 | *339,499 | 241,677 | 8 10 |
| „ incomplete | ... | 2,695,867 | 1,478,912 | 120,438 | 9 7 |
| | | 4,465,839 | 1,818,411 | 362,115 | 18 5 |
| General expenses | ... | ... | ... | 83,288 | 3 8 |
| | | | | £445,404 | 2 1 |

* This area includes Ohinemuri Gold Field, 132,175 acres.

—a total area of 6,284,250 acres, equal to one-fifth of the entire area of the North Island, on which has been paid the sum of £445,404 2s. 1d.

The unexpended balance of the £700,000 voted by the General Assembly for the acquisition of land in the North Island was, on the 30th of June last, £254,595 17s. 11d.

The balances available to complete outstanding liabilities and new purchases that may be undertaken, are—

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------|----|----|
| | | | | | £ | s. | d. |
| Auckland | ... | ... | ... | ... | 82,972 | 1 | 10 |
| Hawke's Bay | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40,132 | 12 | 1 |
| Wellington | ... | ... | ... | ... | 90,857 | 4 | 7 |
| Taranaki | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40,633 | 19 | 5 |
| | | | | | £254,595 | 17 | 11 |

As I before observed, a great deal of the delay in concluding the early purchases was from the want of a properly-organized staff of surveyors, as required under the provisions of the Native Land Act of 1873. But the difficulty was in a great measure removed by the energy of the Inspector of Surveys, and the officers working under him. By his Report, which has been laid on the table, it will be seen that a great deal of work has been done by his department. I will give his figures:—

| | | | | |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----------|-----------------|
| North part of Auckland | ... | ... | 236,566 | acres completed |
| Thames and Waikato | ... | ... | 52,919 | " " |
| Bay of Plenty | ... | ... | 62,787 | " " |
| East Coast and Wairoa | ... | ... | 406,745 | " " |
| Wellington | ... | ... | 69,913 | " " |
| | | | <hr/> | |
| | | | 829,030 | " " |
| Surveys in progress— | | | | |
| North of Auckland | ... | ... | 18,000 | estimated acres |
| Bay of Plenty | ... | ... | 261,000 | " " |
| East Coast and Wairoa | ... | ... | 376,720 | " " |
| Wellington | ... | ... | 10,000 | " " |
| | | | <hr/> | |
| | | | 665,720 | |
| | | | <hr/> | |
| Making a total of | ... | ... | 1,494,750 | " " |

It will be seen by honorable members from the foregoing statement that the Government has not relaxed in its efforts during the past year to acquire on reasonable terms an estate for the North Island which, as immigration and settlement progress, will be found valuable for colonizing purposes.

DETAIL of EXPENDITURE to 30th JUNE, 1876, on Account of LAND PURCHASES and LEASES in the NORTH ISLAND, under the Immigration and Public Works Acts of 1870 and 1873.

PART I.—NEGOTIATIONS COMPLETED.

Province of Auckland.

| DISTRICT. | BLOCK. | NUMBER OF ACRES. | | THROUGH WHOM NEGOTIATED. | PAYMENTS. | | | DEED. | | If proclaimed Waste Lands of the Crown, Date and Number of the Gazette. | REMARKS. |
|-----------|--------------------------|------------------|---------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-----|---|----------|
| | | Purchased. | Leased. | | Purchase Money or Rent. | Incidental. | Total. | Date. | No. | | |
| Mangonui | Takahu No. 1 | 24,122 0 0 | | E. T. Brisen | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | 4 May, 1875 | 824 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | No. 2 | 4,405 0 0 | | " | 513 18 1 | 403 13 3 | 3,217 17 11 | " | 825 | " | " |
| | Te Ūhira | 7,219 0 0 | | Lt.-Col. McDonnell | 841 4 4 | 36 18 8 | 560 16 9 | " | 800 | " | " |
| | Te Puhata | 3,352 0 0 | | " | 391 1 4 | 128 19 6 | 970 3 10 | 15 June " | 802 | " | " |
| | Tuturumatakou | 1,813 0 0 | | H. T. Kemp | 114 17 9 | 62 4 10 | 453 6 2 | 15 " | 872 | " | " |
| | Kaitia | 5,806 0 0 | | W. B. White | 725 15 0 | 12 7 0 | 127 4 9 | 17 Jan., 1876 | 802 | 13 July " | 40 |
| | Karuhiri | 5,280 0 0 | | " | 1,100 0 0 | 34 6 7 | 760 1 7 | 31 July, 1872 | 277 | 25 June, 1874 | 34 |
| | Manganui-o-wai | 5,700 0 0 | | E. T. Brisen | 855 0 0 | 44 4 0 | 1,144 4 0 | 21 Nov., " | 278 | " | " |
| | Waihoanga No. 1 | 1,380 0 0 | | " | 74 15 0 | 15 0 0 | 870 0 0 | 25 June, 1875 | 809 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | Waoa No. 1 | 17,650 0 0 | | " | 1,250 4 2 | 36 12 7 | 111 7 7 | 29 April, " | 810 | " | " |
| | " No. 2 | 8,017 0 0 | | " | 805 0 0 | 321 8 5 | 1,571 12 7 | 28 " | 786 | " | " |
| | Wharoro | 839 0 0 | | " | 63 15 0 | 113 1 7 | 918 1 7 | 28 " | 811 | " | " |
| | Waiaroto | 7,590 0 0 | | " | 411 0 0 | 48 8 1 | 112 3 1 | 28 " | 812 | " | " |
| | Te Awarua | 3,100 0 0 | | " | 232 10 0 | 163 17 6 | 580 17 6 | 28 " | 813 | " | " |
| | Omahuta No. 1 | 1,722 0 0 | | " | 682 15 0 | 81 8 7 | 313 18 7 | 28 " | 814 | " | " |
| | " No. 2 | 6,048 0 0 | | " | 232 10 0 | 156 11 10 | 839 6 10 | 12 June " | 815 | " | " |
| Hokianga | Omataroa | 3,320 0 0 | | " | 232 10 0 | 29 4 7 | 261 14 7 | 24 April " | 816 | " | " |
| | Te Arawhatotara No. 1 | 2,019 0 0 | | " | 353 0 0 | 81 16 7 | 434 16 7 | 8 " | 817 | " | " |
| | Punakitere | 7,557 0 0 | | " | 377 17 0 | 98 8 6 | 476 5 6 | 12 June " | 818 | " | " |
| | Waimamaku No. 2 | 27,200 0 0 | | " | 1,318 6 6 | 294 5 1 | 1,612 11 7 | 10 Jan., 1876 | 862 | 13 July " | 40 |
| | Okorihī | 892 0 0 | | " | 46 11 0 | 91 18 0 | 138 9 0 | 15 June, 1875 | 787 | 13 April " | 22 |
| | Pakanae No. 1 | 8,950 0 0 | | " | 559 13 9 | 263 5 9 | 1,022 5 9 | 18 " | 788 | " | " |
| | " No. 3 | 3,189 0 0 | | " | 199 6 3 | 88 18 0 | 667 13 0 | 18 " | 789 | " | " |
| | Kauae-o-Ruruwahine No. 1 | 4,454 0 0 | | " | 278 7 6 | 88 18 0 | 667 13 0 | 12 " | 790 | " | " |
| | " No. 2 | 2,648 0 0 | | " | 165 10 0 | 1 0 0 | 37 15 0 | 12 " | 791 | " | " |
| | " No. 3 | 2,158 0 0 | | " | 134 17 6 | 140 11 6 | 245 5 3 | 12 " | 792 | " | " |
| | " | 490 0 0 | | " | 36 15 0 | 78 4 1 | 286 14 9 | 18 " | 793 | " | " |
| | Ngaruku | 2,730 0 0 | | " | 104 13 9 | 140 11 6 | 245 5 3 | 15 " | 819 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | Te Takanga | 1,675 0 0 | | " | 208 10 8 | 78 4 1 | 286 14 9 | 29 April " | 794 | " | " |
| | Mangataira | 1,257 0 0 | | " | 116 10 0 | 250 13 6 | 1,189 17 6 | 19 June " | 801 | " | " |
| | Otagarua No. 1 | 1,826 0 0 | | " | 171 10 0 | 34 0 7 | 101 3 1 | 19 " | 795 | " | " |
| | " No. 3 | 4,876 0 0 | | " | 496 0 0 | 67 2 6 | 67 2 6 | 19 " | 796 | " | " |
| | " No. 4 | 1,510 0 0 | | " | 155 4 0 | 67 2 6 | 67 2 6 | 28 April " | 820 | " | " |
| Mangonui | Ngaripito | 895 0 0 | | " | 87 3 9 | 67 6 6 | 154 10 3 | 22 June " | 821 | " | " |
| | Okata | 915 0 0 | | " | 87 3 9 | 67 6 6 | 154 10 3 | 22 June " | 821 | " | " |
| | Whakarongua No. 1 | 810 0 0 | | " | 60 15 0 | 52 15 1 | 113 10 1 | 29 April " | 797 | " | " |
| 37 | Tokawhero No. 1 | 2,033 0 0 | | " | 152 10 0 | 57 14 8 | 210 4 8 | 28 " | 822 | " | " |

* Negotiations completed by J. W. Preece.

DETAIL of EXPENDITURE to 30th JUNE, 1876, on Account of LAND PURCHASES and LEASES in the NORTH ISLAND—continued.

| DISTRICT. | NUMBER. | BLOCK. | NUMBER OF ACRES. | | THROUGH WHOM NEGOTIATED. | PAYMENTS. | | | DEED. | | If proclaimed Waste Lands of the Crown, Date and Number of the Gazette. | REMARKS. |
|--------------------------|---------|------------------------|------------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|-----|---|----------|
| | | | Purchased. | Leased. | | Purchase Money or Rent. | Incidental. | Total. | Date. | No. | | |
| Hokianga continued. | 38 | Mangakino | A. 752 0 0 | E. P. 0 0 | E. T. Brissenden | £ s. d. 59 8 0 | £ s. d. 41 8 0 | £ s. d. 100 16 0 | 15 June, 1875 | 823 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | 39 | Pukehuia | 3,120 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 163 10 0 | 75 0 0 | 238 10 0 | 15 " | 798 | " " | " |
| | 40 | Whaitapu | 2,716 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 212 12 6 | 167 14 6 | 380 7 0 | 12 " | 799 | " " | " |
| | 41 | Waipoua | 35,300 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 2,200 0 0 | 431 14 9 | 4,931 14 9 | 8 Feb., 1876 | 863 | " " | " |
| | 42 | Maungani | 37,342 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 2,300 0 0 | " | " | " | 864 | " " | " |
| | 43 | Oue | 3,868 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 125 0 0 | 3 5 0 | 128 5 0 | 4 Feb. | 873 | " " | " |
| | 44 | Marunui | 2,160 0 0 | 0 0 | Lt. Col. McDonnell | 270 0 0 | " | 270 0 0 | 8 Mar., 1873 | 189 | 25 June, 1874 | 34 |
| | 45 | Waipapa (part of) | 1,306 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 150 0 0 | 43 15 8 | 193 15 8 | 22 July, 1874 | 585 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | 46 | Okahu | 2,408 0 0 | 0 0 | Hon. D. Pollen | 500 0 0 | " | 500 0 0 | 8 Feb., 1873 | 131 | 25 June, 1874 | 34 |
| | 47 | Owhetu | 523 0 0 | 0 0 | E. T. Brissenden | 100 0 0 | 3 7 2 | 103 7 2 | 20 Nov., 1874 | 602 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| Kaipara | 48 | Ara Kio | 470 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 10 0 0 | 3 7 0 | 13 7 0 | 26 Oct., | 603 | " " | " |
| | 49 | Opouteke | 42,000 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 3,389 0 0 | 485 10 11 | 3,874 10 11 | 1 Feb., 1876 | 865 | " " | " |
| | 50 | Waerakahaka | 2,320 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 315 0 0 | 33 13 11 | 348 13 11 | 1 " | 866 | " " | " |
| | 51 | Pekapekaran | 5,592 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 699 0 0 | 46 17 0 | 745 17 0 | 1 " | " | " " | " |
| | 52 | Taungako | 2,115 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 440 0 0 | " | " | " | " | " " | " |
| | 53 | Papoua | 1,220 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 250 0 0 | 67 19 0 | 757 19 0 | " | " | " " | " |
| | 54 | Kairara | 26,806 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 2,079 0 0 | 385 6 1 | 2,464 6 1 | 1 Feb., 1876 | 867 | " " | " |
| | 55 | Whangaruru or Parahaki | 2,188 0 0 | 0 0 | James Mackay | 378 4 0 | 39 12 4 | 417 16 4 | 24 Sept., 1872 | 54 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | 56 | Tonwai or Hukerenui | 19,500 0 0 | 0 0 | H. T. Kemp | 1,512 10 0 | 254 17 11 | 1,767 7 11 | 5 Nov., 1873 | 37 | 25 June, 1874 | 34 |
| | 57 | Te Papa | 127 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 60 10 0 | 1 3 3 | 61 13 3 | 10 " | 48 | " " | " |
| Whangarei Bay of Islands | 58 | Pungare | 7,184 0 0 | 0 0 | Supt., Auckland | 2,401 13 4 | 303 6 1 | 2,704 19 5 | 17 Sept., 1872 | 466 | " " | " |
| | 59 | Wairua | 27,800 0 0 | 0 0 | H. T. Kemp | 1,164 16 6 | 318 4 2 | 1,483 0 8 | 2 June, 1875 | 754 | " " | " |
| | 60 | Tangihua | 15,600 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 1,861 0 0 | 190 2 3 | 2,051 2 3 | 23 " | 827 | 13 July, 1876 | 40 |
| | 61 | Purua | 15,410 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 140 0 0 | 2 2 0 | 142 2 0 | 22 " | 826 | " " | " |
| | 62 | Ngatahuna | 882 0 0 | 0 0 | J. W. Preece | 581 10 0 | 161 10 7 | 743 0 7 | 4 April, 1876 | 868 | " " | " |
| | 63 | Te Wharau | 3,893 0 0 | 0 0 | Supt., Auckland | 132 0 0 | 26 5 4 | 156 5 4 | 18 Aug., 1871 | 836 | " " | " |
| | 64 | Otama East | 1,217 0 0 | 0 0 | James Mackay | 283 0 0 | 26 2 9 | 309 2 9 | 4 Sept., 1872 | 252 | 25 June, 1874 | 34 |
| | 65 | West | 1,298 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 765 0 0 | 115 16 11 | 880 16 11 | 21 Dec. | 253 | " " | " |
| | 66 | Hiri and Pirauui | 6,755 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 100 0 0 | 11 19 7 | 111 19 7 | 24 Aug. | 258 | " " | " |
| | 67 | Hotoriori | 523 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 103 0 0 | 19 18 7 | 122 18 7 | 24 " | 256 | " " | " |
| Coromandel and Thames | 68 | Opango | 1,000 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 380 0 0 | 66 10 7 | 446 10 7 | 3 Sept. | 243 | 25 June, 1874 | 34 |
| | 69 | Tararoho | 8,796 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 100 0 0 | 27 8 7 | 127 8 7 | 17 Dec. | 244 | " " | " |
| | 70 | Te Karo No. 1 | 1,270 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 25 0 0 | 2 16 7 | 27 16 7 | 17 Jan., 1873 | 249 | " " | " |
| | 71 | No. 2 | 100 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 1,019 0 0 | 126 12 8 | 1,145 12 8 | 23 Dec., 1872 | 255 | 8 June | 1 |
| | 72 | Omahu | 7,056 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 6,595 0 0 | 1,316 2 11 | 7,911 2 11 | 13 Jan., 1873 | 248 | " " | " |
| | 73 | Whangamata No. 1 | 8,280 0 0 | 0 0 | " | " | " | " | 11 " | 250 | " " | " |
| | 74 | No. 3 | 8,210 0 0 | 0 0 | " | " | " | " | 13 " | 251 | " " | " |
| | 75 | No. 5 | 5,889 0 0 | 0 0 | " | " | " | " | 11 " | 246 | " " | " |
| | 76 | Hikutia No. 2 | 2,376 0 0 | 0 0 | " | " | " | " | 13 " | 247 | " " | " |
| | 77 | No. 3 | 5,445 0 0 | 0 0 | " | " | " | " | 21 April, 1875 | 838 | " " | " |
| Waikato | 78 | Wharekawa East No. 3. | 5,089 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 347 0 0 | 84 16 4 | 431 16 4 | 30 Dec., 1873 | 656 | " " | " |
| | 79 | Rangian | 9,132 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 785 0 0 | 153 6 0 | 938 6 0 | 8 Oct., 1874 | 735 | " " | " |
| | 80 | Waiwakaurunga | 14,000 0 0 | 0 0 | " | 1,748 0 0 | 242 12 8 | 1,990 12 8 | " | " | " " | " |

* Negotiations completed by J. W. Preece.

1876.
NEW ZEALAND.

STATEMENT RELATIVE TO LAND PURCHASES, NORTH ISLAND.

Under Immigration and Public Works Acts of 1870 and 1873.

BY THE HON. THE NATIVE MINISTER, SIR D. McLEAN.

Mr. SPEAKER,—

In pursuance of the course adopted last year, I propose to lay before the House a statement of the land purchase operations of the Government under the Immigration and Public Works Acts for the year ended 30th June, 1876; but before doing so, I may be permitted to make a few general remarks for the information of honorable members.

It will be remembered that in the statement I had the honor to make last year, I took occasion to mention some of the obstacles which had to be contended with by the Government in the task of acquiring a landed estate for the North Island, not the least of which was the superior advantages held by the experienced agents of capitalists and speculators in buying up large tracts of country. I am happy to inform the House that during the past year the Government Agents have been less exposed to obstruction in carrying out to a satisfactory issue their arrangements with the Natives.

To the north of Auckland several valuable blocks of land have been purchased, some of which are well adapted for settlement. Some delay took place in completing these transactions, from the circumstance that the land could not be passed through the Native Land Court till proper surveys had been made. These having been accomplished, no difficulty was experienced in bringing negotiations to a successful issue; and of the one hundred and one transactions originally entered into, nearly the whole have been completed; 443,856 acres have been acquired at a cost (inclusive of expenses) of £43,895 1s. 8d., or 2s. per acre.

The value of many of these blocks was not really known till the country had been opened up by surveys; and it is reported by the surveyors and Europeans in the district who have inspected the land that they are eminently adapted for settlement. Appeals have on more than one occasion been made by the Natives to have these lands peopled by an English population, and they have readily disposed of some of the best of their lands to induce European settlement.

Viewing the large extent of country that has been from time to time acquired from the Natives in the North, and the representations that have been made by the District Officer, appointed under the Native Land Act of 1873, as to the quantity of land still in the possession of the Natives, it has become a question for consideration whether, after the present negotiations are completed, it would be right, regard being had to the wants of the Natives, for the Government to acquire any more land in that district.

Most of the lands to the north of Auckland in the possession of the Natives are, through the medium of the Native Land Court, held under Crown grant; and the cordial relations which exist between them and their European neighbours indicate that the time has arrived when the Ngapuhi and Rarawa tribes may be considered as upon an equal footing with the Europeans.

Of the lands purchased to the north of Auckland, 229,559 acres have been handed over to the province to be dealt with under the existing land laws.

I will take next in order—the Coromandel and Thames District. Many circumstances have, during the past year, tended to retard the completion of these purchases. Several of the blocks have been before the Native Land Court, and the Native owners ascertained, and are in a fair way of being finally acquired, the conveyances to the Crown only requiring one or two signatures to complete the purchases. One of these blocks is the Waikawau and Moehau, containing 118,802 acres, upon which payments have been made amounting to £15,930 6s. 9d. Several of the purchases in this district are encumbered with timber leases, having currency for periods varying from 21 to 99 years. The above lands are of little value for agricultural purposes, but the Superintendent of Auckland, whom the Government, under “The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1870,” were bound to consult, urged upon the Colonial Government the desirability of acquiring the fee-simple in the belief that the lands were auriferous. It must also be borne in mind that these purchases were recommended with the full knowledge that these leases existed. So strongly was the then Superintendent, Mr. Gillies, impressed with the importance that the purchases should be made without delay, that he represented to the Government the desirability of keeping the Land Purchase Agent supplied with money, and even made advances out of his own means to accomplish this object. I will quote his own words:—

“Being personally aware that a very large sum might be saved to the colony and the province on this purchase (Waikawau and Cape Colville Blocks) by dealing with the Natives at a tangi at Ohinemuri, I felt myself justified in advancing to Mr. Mackay the sum of two thousand pounds for that purpose. I proceeded with Mr. Mackay to Ohinemuri, and was present when he was negotiating with the Natives there assembled, and I feel convinced that a large saving, both in time and money, was effected by his being placed in funds promptly to conduct these negotiations. I trust that you will approve of my action in this matter, and that the amount advanced will be at once repaid. Permit me further to suggest that provision should be made in future for providing funds by which advantage can be taken promptly of such circumstances as the above, which occasionally arise.”

There are certain blocks of land on the Upper Thames, Waitoa, and Piako Rivers, amounting to an estimated area of 200,000 acres, the purchase of a principal part of which it is believed will soon be completed. A considerable portion of these lands are looked upon as suitable for settlement. Mr. Mackay has for some time been endeavouring to arrange the differences of the Native owners in respect to boundaries, and has succeeded in getting several blocks surveyed, so that I hope at no distant period these lands will be thrown open for sale and occupation.

The purchases in the Thames district that have been completed amount to 145,441 acres, at a cost (inclusive of expenses) of £23,231 17s. 1d., or 3s. 3d. per acre.

Owing to difficulties interposed by one or two sections of the Arawa tribe, it has been deemed prudent to discontinue for the present all land purchases in the Bay of Plenty District. The nature of those obstructions will be seen by reference to the reports of the Land Purchase Agents, already laid on the Table of the House. The agents have consequently been withdrawn.

At Taupo the like difficulties were not encountered, and larger areas have been acquired, either by purchase or lease. The survey of 62,787 acres have already been completed, and further surveys are in progress over lands estimated to contain 261,000 acres.

In these districts, 99,974 acres have been purchased at a cost of £14,258 11s. 6d., or about 2s. 10d. per acre.

I will now refer to the East Coast and Wairoa Districts. In the former very little has been completed, although large areas are under negotiation. Land purchase arrangements in this district being now the subject of inquiry, need not at present be further alluded to.

In the Upper Wairoa large blocks have been acquired to the extent of 146,080 acres. I may here mention the great change that has come over Native feeling in the interior of that part of the country. The Urewera, a tribe but a few years ago at deadly feud with us, and who, even after friendly relations were established pertinaciously refused to sell an inch of their lands, were considerable owners in these blocks. With some hesitation they submitted to allow these claims to be adjudicated upon by the Native Land Court; their claims were heard, and they were well satisfied with the result; and yielding to the persuasion of the co-claimants of other tribes, joined in the sale, and received their share of the money. Ample reserves have been set apart for the Natives, which are not included in the figures quoted above.

The transactions within the Province of Auckland completed since the 30th June, 1875, are,—

| | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------|
| North of Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 165,661 acres |
| Thames | ... | ... | ... | 4,205 „ |
| Taupo | ... | ... | ... | 19,423 „ |
| Upper Wairoa | ... | ... | ... | 146,080 „ |
| Total | | | | 335,369 „ |

The total results of the land purchases in the Auckland Province since 1872 are as follows:—

| | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------|
| North of Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 443,856 acres |
| Thames | ... | ... | ... | 145,441 „ |
| Bay of Plenty and Taupo | ... | ... | ... | 99,974 „ |
| East Coast and Wairoa | ... | ... | ... | 146,357 „ |
| Total | | | | 835,628 „ |

at a total cost of £103,009 12s. 11d. (inclusive of survey and incidental expenses), at an average price of 2s. 5½d. per acre.

In the Hawke's Bay District no purchases have been made during the year.

In Wellington fair progress has been made, and several purchases have been satisfactorily completed. I would, however, point out that the quantities as set forth in last year's Statement were greatly over-estimated. Since then surveys have been made, and the actual acreage ascertained. I will allude to this subject again presently.

The transactions completed since 30th June, 1875, amount to 58,425 acres.

The total of the purchases in the Wellington Province amount to 440,927 acres, at a cost of £58,409 13s., or 2s. 8d. per acre, including all expenses.

The area of the land surveyed during the past year was 69,113 acres. A large amount of survey work has to be done before the whole of the transactions in this district can be correctly computed. The area of the land handed over to local administration amounts to 179,944 acres.

In the Taranaki Province the engagements that stood open on the 30th June, 1875, have, during the past year, been completed. Since then arrangements for acquiring 41,252 acres have been entered into. Negotiations have also been begun for the purchase of several large blocks of heavily timbered land estimated to contain about 200,000 acres.

The purchases completed during the past year amount to 82,381 acres, making a total for the Taranaki District of 252,880 acres, at a cost of £36,393 0s. 3d., about 2s. 10½d. per acre. The lands handed over to be administered under local land laws were 87,269 acres.

Recapitulation of land purchases in the several provinces which have been completed:—

| | | | | |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------|
| Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 835,628 acres |
| Hawke's Bay | ... | ... | ... | 240,537 „ |
| Wellington | ... | ... | ... | 440,927 „ |
| Taranaki | ... | ... | ... | 252,880 „ |
| | | | | <hr/> |
| | | | | 1,769,972 „ |

The lands held under lease are in the Province of Auckland, and amount to 339,499 acres. So that the completed transactions, including the leases, cover an area of 2,109,471 acres.

To give some idea of the extent of the work completed, I may mention that 245 deeds, representing 1,924,602 acres, have been received in Wellington, and have been deposited in the Crown Lands Office.

When it is considered that each block, however small, involved a great deal of time and patience, unlike similar negotiations with Europeans, the result as shown above may, I think, be considered very satisfactory.

I will now say a few words on the uncompleted transactions. In the district to the north of Auckland there are twenty-seven blocks, representing 57,536 acres, which have been surveyed, and are awaiting investigation in the Native Land Court. On these lands advances have been made. As soon as the Court has decided upon the proper Native owners, there is no reason why these should not be completed immediately after. There are twelve other blocks to the north of Auckland, not included in the above, now being surveyed, and which also will be submitted to the Native Land Court, and closed as soon practicable.

The incomplete transactions for the purchase and lease of lands are as follows :—

| PURCHASES. | | | | |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------|
| Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 1,937,852 acres |
| Hawke's Bay | ... | ... | ... | 22,000 " |
| Wellington | ... | ... | ... | 694,763 " |
| Taranaki | ... | ... | ... | 41,252 " |
| Total | ... | ... | ... | 2,695,867 " |
| LEASES. | | | | |
| Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 1,171,077 acres |
| Wellington | ... | ... | ... | 307,833 " |
| | | | | 1,478,912 " |

I have not included in these figures the estimated 200,000 acre blocks in the Taranaki Province.

The land purchase transactions last year, in a return laid before Parliament last Session, show as follow :—

| | | | | |
|-------------|----------------------|-----|-----|-----------------|
| Complete. | Purchased lands | ... | ... | 1,331,522 acres |
| " | Leased lands | ... | ... | 391,601 " |
| Incomplete. | Lands under purchase | ... | ... | 2,941,842 " |
| " | Lands under lease | ... | ... | 1,522,502 " |
| Total | ... | ... | ... | 6,187,467 " |

At the close of the year ended 30th June, 1876, the several purchases and leases are as follow :—

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|------------------|
| Purchased land complete | ... | ... | 1,769,972 acres. |
| Leased land complete | ... | ... | 339,499 " |
| Purchases incomplete | ... | ... | 2,695,867 " |
| Leases incomplete | ... | ... | 1,478,912 " |
| Total | ... | ... | 6,284,250 " |

From the above figures, as compared with those given last year, it would appear that the negotiations entered into during the year represent only 96,783 acres; but this is not the case, the actual area brought under negotiation being 573,916 acres. The difference is explained by the fact that some areas approximately given in last year's return have in certain instances proved less, on actual survey, than the estimate.

For instance, in Auckland the areas were under-estimated by 45,650 acres ; whereas in Wellington the land was over-estimated by 506,033 acres, in Hawke's Bay by 15,000 acres, and in Taranaki by 1,750 acres, making an actual difference of 477,133 acres over-estimated. The deficiency is, however, more than made up by the transactions of the present year, which are stated thus :—

| | | | | |
|------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------|
| Auckland | ... | ... | ... | 522,664 acres |
| Wellington | ... | ... | ... | 10,000 „ |
| Taranaki | ... | ... | ... | 41,252 „ |
| Total | | | | 573,916 „ |

The following is a summary of the transactions completed last year :—

| | | | |
|--|-----|-----|---------------|
| Auckland.—Mangonui | ... | ... | 11,884 acres |
| Hokianga | ... | ... | 35,300 „ |
| Kaipara | ... | ... | 117,595 „ |
| Whangarei | ... | ... | 882 „ |
| Total North of Auckland | — | — | 165,661 acres |
| Thames | ... | ... | 4,205 „ |
| Taupo | ... | ... | 19,423 „ |
| Wairoa | ... | ... | 146,080 „ |
| Total Auckland | ... | ... | 335,369 „ |
| Wellington | ... | ... | 58,425 „ |
| Taranaki | ... | ... | 82,381 „ |
| Total Purchased | ... | ... | 476,175 „ |
| Leased | ... | ... | 138,971 „ |
| Total Purchased and Leased during year ended 30th June, 1876... | | | 615,146 „ |

GENERAL SUMMARY.

The several purchases and leases completed and incomplete up to the 30th June last, and the total expenditure, are shown in the following table :—

| — | | | | Purchases. | Leases. | Total Expenditure. | |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| | | | | Acres. | Acres. | £ | s. d. |
| Transactions completed | ... | ... | ... | 1,769,972 | *339,499 | 241,677 | 8 10 |
| „ incomplete | ... | ... | ... | 2,695,867 | 1,478,912 | 120,438 | 9 7 |
| | | | | 4,465,839 | 1,818,411 | 362,115 | 18 5 |
| General expenses | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 83,288 | 3 8 |
| | | | | | | £445,404 | 2 1 |

* This area includes Ohinemuri Gold Field, 132,175 acres.

—a total area of 6,284,250 acres, equal to one-fifth of the entire area of the North Island, on which has been paid the sum of £445,404 2s. 1d.

The unexpended balance of the £700,000 voted by the General Assembly for the acquisition of land in the North Island was, on the 30th of June last, £254,595 17s. 11d.

The balances available to complete outstanding liabilities and new purchases that may be undertaken, are—

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------|----|----|
| Auckland | ... | ... | ... | ... | £ | s. | d. |
| Hawke's Bay | ... | ... | ... | ... | 82,972 | 1 | 10 |
| Wellington | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40,132 | 12 | 1 |
| Taranaki | ... | ... | ... | ... | 90,857 | 4 | 7 |
| | | | | | 40,633 | 19 | 5 |
| | | | | | £254,595 | 17 | 11 |

As I before observed, a great deal of the delay in concluding the early purchases was from the want of a properly-organized staff of surveyors, as required under the provisions of the Native Land Act of 1873. But the difficulty was in a great measure removed by the energy of the Inspector of Surveys, and the officers working under him. By his Report, which has been laid on the table, it will be seen that a great deal of work has been done by his department. I will give his figures :—

| | | | |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-------------------------|
| North part of Auckland | ... | ... | 236,566 acres completed |
| Thames and Waikato | ... | ... | 52,919 " " |
| Bay of Plenty | ... | ... | 62,787 " " |
| East Coast and Wairoa | ... | ... | 406,745 " " |
| Wellington | ... | ... | 69,913 " " |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | 829,030 " " |
| Surveys in progress— | | | |
| North of Auckland | ... | ... | 18,000 estimated acres |
| Bay of Plenty | ... | ... | 261,000 " " |
| East Coast and Wairoa | ... | ... | 376,720 " " |
| Wellington | ... | ... | 10,000 " " |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | 665,720 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| Making a total of | ... | ... | 1,494,750 " " |

It will be seen by honorable members from the foregoing statement that the Government has not relaxed in its efforts during the past year to acquire on reasonable terms an estate for the North Island which, as immigration and settlement progress, will be found valuable for colonizing purposes.

PART I.—NEGOTIATIONS COMPLETED.

Province of Auckland.

| DISTRICT. | NUMBER. | BLOCK. | NUMBER OF ACRES. | | THROUGH WHOM NEGOTIATED. | PAYMENTS. | | | DEED. | | If proclaimed Waste Lands of the Crown, Date and Number of the Gazette. | REMARKS. |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|------------------|---------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|---------|---------------|-----|---|----------|
| | | | Purchased. | Leased. | | Purchase Money or Rent. | Incidental. | Total. | Date. | No. | | |
| Mangonui | 1 | Takahue No. 1 | A. 24,122 | P. 0 | E. T. Brissenden | £ 2,914 | £ 403 | £ 3,317 | 4 May, 1875 | 824 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | 2 | No. 2 | 4,405 | 0 | " | 513 | 13 | 566 | " | 825 | " | " |
| | 3 | Te Uhiroa | 7,219 | 0 | Lt.-Col. McDonnell | 841 | 4 | 970 | 15 June | 800 | " | " |
| | 4 | Te Puhata | 3,352 | 0 | " | 391 | 4 | 453 | " | 802 | " | " |
| | 5 | Tuturumatakoutu | 1,313 | 0 | H. T. Kemp | 114 | 7 | 127 | 17 Jan., 1876 | 872 | 13 July | 40 |
| | 6 | Kaitia | 5,806 | 0 | W. B. White | 725 | 15 | 760 | 31 July, 1872 | 277 | 25 June, 1874 | 84 |
| | 7 | Karuhiruhi | 5,230 | 0 | " | 1,100 | 0 | 1,144 | " | 278 | " | " |
| | 8 | Manganui-o-wai | 5,700 | 0 | E. T. Brissenden | 855 | 0 | 870 | 21 Nov., | " | " | " |
| | 9 | Waihoanga No. 1 | 1,380 | 0 | " | 74 | 15 | 111 | 25 June, 1875 | 809 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | 10 | Waoku No. 1 | 17,650 | 0 | " | 1,250 | 4 | 1,571 | 28 " | 810 | " | " |
| | 11 | No. 2 | 8,017 | 0 | " | 805 | 0 | 113 | 28 " | 786 | " | " |
| | 12 | Wharoro | 839 | 0 | " | 63 | 15 | 112 | 28 " | 811 | " | " |
| | 13 | Waitaroto | 7,590 | 0 | " | 411 | 0 | 169 | 21 " | 812 | " | " |
| | 14 | Te Awarua | 3,100 | 0 | " | 232 | 10 | 313 | " | 813 | " | " |
| | 15 | Omahuta No. 1 | 1,722 | 0 | " | 682 | 15 | 839 | 12 June | 814 | " | " |
| | 16 | No. 2 | 6,048 | 0 | " | 232 | 10 | 839 | 14 " | 815 | " | " |
| Hokianga | 17 | Omataroa | 3,320 | 0 | " | 232 | 10 | 261 | 24 April | 816 | " | " |
| | 18 | Te Arawhatotara No. 1 | 2,019 | 0 | " | 353 | 0 | 434 | 8 " | 817 | " | " |
| | 19 | Punakitere | 7,557 | 0 | " | 377 | 17 | 476 | 12 June | 818 | " | " |
| | 20 | Waimamaku No. 2 | 27,200 | 0 | " | 1,318 | 6 | 1,612 | 10 Jan., 1876 | 862 | 13 July | 40 |
| | 21 | Okoriri | 892 | 0 | " | 46 | 11 | 138 | 15 June, 1875 | 787 | 13 April | 22 |
| | 22 | Pakanae No. 1 | 8,950 | 0 | " | 559 | 13 | 1,022 | " | 788 | " | " |
| | 23 | No. 3 | 3,189 | 0 | " | 199 | 6 | " | " | 789 | " | " |
| | 24 | Kause-o-Kururawhine No. 1 | 4,454 | 0 | " | 278 | 7 | 88 | " | 790 | " | " |
| | 25 | No. 2 | 2,648 | 0 | " | 165 | 10 | 667 | " | 791 | " | " |
| | 26 | No. 3 | 2,158 | 0 | " | 134 | 17 | 13 | " | 792 | " | " |
| | 27 | Ngapuku | 490 | 0 | " | 36 | 15 | 37 | " | 793 | " | " |
| | 28 | Te Takanga | 1,675 | 0 | " | 1 | 0 | 15 | " | 819 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | 29 | Mangataira | 2,730 | 0 | " | 104 | 13 | 245 | 29 April | 794 | " | " |
| | 30 | Otagarua No. 1 | 1,257 | 0 | " | 208 | 10 | 286 | 19 June | 801 | " | " |
| | 31 | No. 2 | 1,826 | 0 | " | 116 | 10 | 1 | " | 795 | " | " |
| | 32 | No. 3 | 4,876 | 0 | " | 171 | 10 | 1,189 | " | 796 | " | " |
| | 33 | No. 4 | 1,510 | 0 | " | 155 | 4 | 34 | " | 820 | " | " |
| | 34 | Ngapipito | 895 | 0 | " | 67 | 2 | 101 | 28 April | 821 | " | " |
| | 35 | Okaka | 915 | 0 | " | 87 | 3 | 154 | 22 June | 797 | " | " |
| | 36 | Whakarongorua No. 1 | 810 | 0 | " | 60 | 15 | 113 | 29 April | 822 | " | " |
| | 37 | Tokawhero No. 1 | 2,033 | 0 | " | 152 | 10 | 210 | 28 " | " | " | " |

* Negotiations completed by J. W. Preece.

DETAIL of EXPENDITURE to 30th JUNE, 1876, on Account of LAND PURCHASES and LEASES in the NORTH ISLAND—continued.

| DISTRICT. | BROOK. | NUMBER OF ACRES. | | THROUGH WHOM NEGOTIATED. | PAYMENTS. | | | DEED. | | If proclaimed Waste Lands of the Crown, Date and Number of the Gazette. | REMARKS. |
|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|-----|---|----------|
| | | Purchased. | Leased. | | Purchase Money or Rent. | Incidental. | Total. | Date. | No. | | |
| Hokianga continued. | Mangakino | A. 752 0 0 | B. P. 0 0 0 | E. T. Brissenden | £ s. d. 59 8 0 | £ s. d. 41 8 0 | £ s. d. 100 16 0 | 15 June, 1875 | 823 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | Pukelua | 8,120 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 163 10 0 | 75 0 0 | 238 10 0 | 15 " | 798 | " " | " |
| | Whaitapu | 2,716 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 212 12 6 | 167 14 6 | 380 7 0 | 12 " | 799 | " " | " |
| | Waipoua | 35,300 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 2,200 0 0 | 431 14 9 | 4,931 14 9 | { 8 Feb., 1876 | 863 | " " | " |
| | Maungauini | 37,342 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 2,300 0 0 | 3 5 0 | 128 5 0 | { 4 Feb. " | 864 | " " | " |
| | One | 3,868 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 125 0 0 | ... | 270 0 0 | 8 Mar., 1873 | 873 | " " | " |
| | Maruini | 2,160 0 0 | 0 0 0 | Lt.-Col. McDonnell | 270 0 0 | 43 15 8 | 193 15 8 | 22 July, 1874 | 189 | 25 June, 1874 | 34 |
| | Waipapa (part of) | 1,306 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 160 0 0 | ... | 500 0 0 | 8 Feb., 1873 | 585 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | Okahu | 2,408 0 0 | 0 0 0 | Hon. D. Pollen | 500 0 0 | ... | 500 0 0 | 22 July, 1874 | 131 | 25 June, 1874 | 34 |
| | Owhetu | 523 0 0 | 0 0 0 | E. T. Brissenden | 100 0 0 | 3 7 2 | 103 7 2 | 20 Nov., 1874 | 602 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| Kaipara | Ara Kioke | 470 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 10 0 0 | 3 7 0 | 13 7 0 | 26 Oct., 1876 | 603 | " " | " |
| | Opoukeke | 42,000 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 3,389 0 0 | 485 10 11 | 3,974 10 11 | 1 Feb., 1876 | 865 | " " | " |
| | Waerekahakaha | 2,520 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 315 0 0 | 33 13 11 | 348 13 11 | 1 " | 866 | " " | " |
| | Pekapekaraui | 5,592 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 699 0 0 | 46 17 0 | 745 17 0 | 1 " | " | " " | " |
| | Taungako | 2,115 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 440 0 0 | 67 19 0 | 757 19 0 | " | " | " " | " |
| | Papuroa | 1,220 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 250 0 0 | ... | ... | " | " | " " | " |
| | Karara | 26,806 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 2,079 0 0 | 385 6 1 | 2,464 6 1 | 1 Feb., 1876 | 867 | " " | " |
| | Whangaruru or Parahaki | 2,188 0 0 | 0 0 0 | James Mackay | 378 4 0 | 39 12 4 | 417 16 4 | 24 Sept., 1872 | 54 | 13 April, 1876 | 22 |
| | Touwai or Hukerenui | 19,500 0 0 | 0 0 0 | H. T. Kemp | 1,512 10 0 | 254 17 11 | 1,767 7 11 | 5 Nov., 1873 | 37 | 25 June, 1874 | 34 |
| | Te Papa | 127 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 60 10 0 | 1 3 3 | 61 13 3 | 10 " | 48 | " " | " |
| Wanga-Bay of Islands | Pungere | 7,184 0 0 | 0 0 0 | Supt., Auckland | 718 8 0 | 3 3 0 | 721 11 0 | 17 Sept., 1872 | 466 | " " | " |
| | Wairua | 27,800 0 0 | 0 0 0 | H. T. Kemp | 2,401 13 4 | 303 6 1 | 2,704 19 5 | 2 June, 1875 | 754 | " " | " |
| | Tangihua | 15,600 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 1,164 16 6 | 318 4 2 | 1,483 0 8 | 23 " | 827 | " " | " |
| | Purua | 15,410 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 1,861 0 0 | 190 2 3 | 2,051 2 3 | 22 " | 826 | " " | " |
| | Ngatahuna | 882 0 0 | 0 0 0 | J. W. Preece - | 140 0 0 | 2 2 0 | 142 2 0 | 4 April, 1876 | 868 | " " | " |
| | Te Wharau | 3,893 0 0 | 0 0 0 | Supt., Auckland | 581 10 0 | 161 10 7 | 743 0 7 | 18 Aug., 1871 | 836 | " " | " |
| | Otama East | 1,217 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 132 0 0 | 24 5 4 | 156 5 4 | 4 Sept., 1872 | 252 | " " | " |
| | " West | 1,298 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 283 0 0 | 26 2 9 | 309 2 9 | 2 " | 253 | " " | " |
| | Hihini and Pirauui | 6,755 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 765 0 0 | 115 16 11 | 880 16 11 | 21 Dec. " | 259 | " " | " |
| | Hotioriti | 523 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 100 0 0 | 11 19 7 | 111 19 7 | 24 Aug. " | 258 | " " | " |
| Coromandel and Thames | Opango | 1,000 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 103 0 0 | 19 18 7 | 122 18 7 | 24 " | 256 | " " | " |
| | Tarunoho | 3,796 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 380 0 0 | 66 10 7 | 446 10 7 | 3 Sept. " | 243 | 25 June, 1874 | 34 |
| | Te Karo No. 1 | 1,270 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 100 0 0 | 27 8 7 | 127 8 7 | 17 Dec. " | 244 | " " | " |
| | " No. 2 | 100 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 25 0 0 | 2 16 7 | 27 16 7 | 17 Jan., 1873 | 249 | " " | " |
| | Omahu | 7,056 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 1,019 0 0 | 126 12 8 | 1,145 12 8 | 23 Dec., 1872 | 255 | 8 June " | 1 |
| | Whangamata No. 1 | 8,280 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 6,595 0 0 | 1,316 2 11 | 7,911 2 11 | 11 Jan., 1873 | 248 | " " | " |
| | " No. 3 | 8,210 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | ... | ... | ... | 13 " | 250 | " " | " |
| | " No. 5 | 5,889 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | ... | ... | ... | 13 " | 251 | " " | " |
| | Hikutaia No. 2 | 2,376 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | ... | ... | ... | 13 " | 246 | " " | " |
| | " No. 3 | 5,445 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | ... | ... | ... | 13 " | 247 | " " | " |
| Waikaurunga | Wharekawa East No. 3 | 5,089 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 347 0 0 | 84 16 4 | 431 16 4 | 21 April, 1875 | 833 | " " | " |
| | Ranghau | 9,132 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 785 0 0 | 153 6 0 | 938 6 0 | 30 Dec., 1873 | 656 | " " | " |
| | Waikaurunga | 14,000 0 0 | 0 0 0 | " | 1,748 0 0 | 242 12 8 | 1,990 12 8 | 8 Oct., 1874 | 735 | " " | " |

* Negotiations completed by J. W. Preece.

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DETAIL OF EXPENDITURE to 30th JUNE, 1876, on Account of LAND PURCHASES and LEASES in the NORTH ISLAND—continued.

| DISTRICT. | NUMBER. | BLOCK. | NUMBER OF ACRES. | | THROUGH WHOM NEGOTIATED. | AMOUNT FIXED AS PURCHASE MONEY. | PAYMENTS. | | | REMARKS. |
|------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|------------------|---------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|------------|---------------------------------------|
| | | | Purchased. | Leased. | | | On Account of Purchase Money or Rent. | Incidental. | Total. | |
| Waikato | 129 | Pakuranga | ... | ... | James Mackay | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | Interest of Europeans. |
| | 130 | Pukemuka | ... | ... | " | ... | 405 14 0 | ... | 405 14 0 | |
| | 131 | Waipa | ... | ... | " | ... | 70 0 0 | ... | 70 0 0 | |
| | 132 | Te Tokoroa | ... | ... | " | ... | 567 17 6 | ... | 567 17 6 | |
| | 133 | Ngutuware | ... | ... | " | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 134 | Ruakokoi | ... | ... | " | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 135 | Mareitai | ... | ... | " | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 136 | Te Anaroa | ... | ... | " | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 137 | Te Waotu | ... | ... | " | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 137 1/2 | General payment. | 249,000 | ... | " | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| East Coast, Poverty Bay, &c. | 138 | Patetere No. 2 | 47,000 | ... | " | ... | 3,600 0 0 | 16 3 4 | 3,616 3 4 | Interest of Europeans. |
| | 139 | Kopatorahi | ... | ... | " | ... | 241 0 0 | 175 10 0 | 416 10 0 | |
| | 140 | Matauku | ... | ... | " | ... | 25 0 0 | ... | 25 0 0 | |
| | 141 | Tahau | ... | ... | " | ... | 61 14 0 | ... | 61 14 0 | |
| | 142 | Ngatimainu | 13,896 | ... | " | ... | 36 14 10 | ... | 36 14 10 | |
| | 143 | Takepau | 2,000 | ... | H. T. Kemp | 200 0 0 | 350 0 0 | ... | 350 0 0 | |
| | 144 | Pirauau | ... | ... | J. A. Wilson | £106 7 annum | 50 0 0 | ... | 50 0 0 | |
| | 145 | Tauwhareparae | 74,190 | 10,612 | " | 8,346 7 6 | 1,622 0 0 | 241 2 3 | 361 2 3 | |
| | 146 | Taumata Patiti | ... | 5,923 | " | £100 7 annum | 157 0 0 | 71 3 1 | 228 3 1 | |
| | 147 | Pua te Roku | 4,600 | ... | " | 460 0 0 | 270 0 0 | 139 9 4 | 409 9 4 | |
| | 148 | Huiarau | 39,500 | ... | " | 1,975 0 0 | 785 0 0 | 429 2 4 | 1,214 2 4 | |
| | 149 | Matutonga | 1,385 | ... | " | 138 10 0 | 20 10 0 | 30 1 6 | 50 11 6 | |
| | 150 | Ngatawakawaka | 1,657 | ... | " | 165 14 0 | 28 0 0 | 86 17 6 | 114 17 6 | |
| | 151 | Parakea | 1,000 | ... | " | 100 0 0 | 25 0 0 | 2 7 0 | 27 7 0 | |
| | 152 | Tologa Township No. 2 | 164 | ... | " | 410 9 4 | 374 3 11 | 11 5 3 | 385 9 2 | |
| | 153 | " | 21 | ... | " | 43 0 0 | 6 0 0 | 2 19 10 | 8 19 10 | |
| | 154 | Puremunghua | 2,890 | ... | " | 289 0 0 | 38 0 0 | 43 4 0 | 81 4 0 | |
| Poverty Bay and East Coast | 155 | Arakhi and Parariki | 44,275 | ... | " | 4,427 10 0 | 647 0 0 | 424 8 0 | 1,071 8 0 | Mangarara Block. Tatarahake Block. |
| | 156 | Te Marunga | 7,660 | ... | " | 1,096 6 5 | 1,061 13 6 | 171 15 0 | 1,233 8 6 | |
| | 157 | Takararoa | 2,707 | ... | " | 270 15 0 | 50 0 0 | ... | 50 0 0 | |
| | 158 | Tauanui | 1,000 | ... | " | 100 0 0 | 20 0 0 | ... | 20 0 0 | |
| | 159 | Paparaoa | 2,342 | ... | " | 225 2 3 | 34 0 0 | ... | 34 0 0 | |
| | 160 | Te Ahi Manawa | 50 | ... | " | 5 0 0 | 2 0 0 | ... | 2 0 0 | |
| | 161 | Waihora | 16,474 | ... | " | 1,647 8 0 | 324 0 0 | 180 12 9 | 504 12 9 | |
| | 162 | Mootu | 48,862 | ... | " | 2,120 0 0 | 2,040 0 0 | 38 11 0 | 2,078 11 0 | |
| | 163 | Waikohu Matawai | 19,781 | ... | " | 1,770 0 0 | 1,770 0 0 | 30 9 0 | 1,800 9 0 | |
| | 164 | Te Rangiwahiao | 583 | ... | " | 44 1 11 | 20 0 0 | 0 8 9 | 20 8 9 | |
| | 165 | Te Pohue | 2,000 | ... | " | 200 0 0 | 10 0 0 | 0 3 2 | 10 3 2 | |
| | 166 | Mangaorongo | 2,000 | ... | " | 200 0 0 | 55 0 0 | ... | 55 0 0 | |
| | 167 | Wetea | 2,000 | ... | " | 200 0 0 | 120 0 0 | 0 3 0 | 120 3 0 | |
| | 168 | Waingaromia No. 3 | 5,762 | ... | " | 576 4 0 | 20 0 0 | 0 10 0 | 20 10 0 | |

DETAIL of EXPENDITURE to 30th JUNE, 1876, on Account of LAND PURCHASES and LEASES in the NORTH ISLAND—continued.

Province of Wellington.

| DISTRICT. | NUMBER. | BLOCK. | NUMBER OF ACRES. | | THROUGH WHOM NEGOTIATED. | AMOUNT FIXED AS PURCHASE MONEY. | PAYMENTS. | | | REMARKS. |
|------------------------------------|---------|----------------------|------------------|---------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| | | | Purchased. | Leased. | | | On Account of Purchase Money or Rent. | Incidental. | Total. | |
| Taupo Wairarapa | 214 | Mohaka | 47,000 | ... | Davis and Mitchell | £ s. d. 1,615 0 3 | £ s. d. 863 13 3 | £ s. d. 122 3 3 | £ s. d. 985 16 6 | Or Manawatu-Wairarapa No. 3. Or Upper Taneru. |
| | 215 | Mangataiuaka | 74,018 | ... | J. P. Hamlin | 16,654 1 0 | 1,306 18 6 | 166 18 6 | 1,473 17 0 | |
| | 216 | Wangehu | 10,000 | ... | T. H. Hill | 750 0 0 | 237 0 0 | ... | 237 0 0 | |
| | 217 | Ahetu | ... | ... | " | ... | 20 0 0 | ... | 20 0 0 | |
| Otaki, Rangitikei, and Manawatu | 218 | Hukihenua | ... | ... | " | ... | 20 0 0 | ... | 20 0 0 | General claim of £100 included. |
| | 219 | Otamakapua | 147,000 | ... | James Booth | ... | 3,220 0 0 | 2,326 16 0 | 5,546 16 0 | |
| | 220 | Mangaoroa | 50,000 | ... | " | 12,500 0 0 | 1,160 0 0 | 109 2 0 | 1,269 2 0 | |
| | 221 | Makamaku | ... | ... | " | ... | ... | 4 4 0 | 4 4 0 | |
| | 222 | Manamakopae | ... | ... | " | ... | 20 0 0 | ... | 20 0 0 | |
| | 223 | Manawatu Kukuatuaiki | 12,808 | ... | " | 3,202 0 0 | 1,247 8 9 | 15 9 0 | 1,262 17 9 | |
| | 224 | " | 12,808 | ... | " | 3,202 0 0 | | ... | ... | |
| | 225 | " | 12,808 | ... | " | 3,202 0 0 | | ... | ... | |
| | 226 | " | 12,808 | ... | " | 3,045 15 0 | | ... | ... | |
| | 227 | " | 12,183 | ... | " | 200 0 0 | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 228 | " | 800 | ... | " | 65 0 0 | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 229 | " | 260 | ... | " | 20 15 0 | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 230 | " | 83 | ... | " | 269 5 0 | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 231 | Huritini Waikawa | 1,077 | ... | " | 20 0 0 | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 232 | Kutikutirau | 50 | ... | " | 35 0 0 | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 233 | Parikawau | 79 | ... | " | 75 0 0 | ... | ... | ... | |
| | 234 | Parauku No. 1 | 200 | ... | " | 277 10 0 | 31 9 2 | ... | 31 9 2 | Part of Paramata. |
| | 235 | Muhunua No. 1 | 1,110 | ... | " | 50 0 0 | 10 0 0 | ... | 10 0 0 | |
| | 236 | Ngawhakarua No. 1 | 50 | ... | " | 1,100 0 0 | 81 0 0 | ... | 81 0 0 | |
| | 237 | Ngakaroro 1A | 4,400 | ... | " | 75 0 0 | 15 0 0 | ... | 15 0 0 | |
| | 238 | " 1C | 300 | ... | " | 135 10 0 | 105 0 0 | ... | 105 0 0 | |
| | 239 | " No. 6 | 142 | ... | " | 250 0 0 | 83 0 0 | ... | 83 0 0 | |
| | 240 | Pukehou No. 4 | 1,000 | ... | " | 1,400 0 0 | 30 12 9 | ... | 30 12 9 | |
| | 241 | " 5A | 5,600 | ... | " | 1,089 0 0 | 25 0 0 | ... | 25 0 0 | |
| | 242 | " 5L | 4,356 | ... | " | 115 0 0 | 25 0 0 | ... | 25 0 0 | |
| | 243 | Waihonga 1B | 460 | ... | " | 338 5 0 | 45 0 0 | ... | 45 0 0 | |
| | 244 | " 1C | 1,853 | ... | " | 361 10 0 | 82 0 0 | ... | 82 0 0 | |
| | 245 | " 3C | 1,446 | ... | " | 278 5 0 | 143 2 0 | ... | 143 2 0 | |
| | 246 | Wah-o-te-Marangai | 1,113 | ... | " | 125 0 0 | 125 0 0 | ... | 125 0 0 | |
| | 247 | Ringawhati | 400 | ... | " | 32 0 0 | 7 5 6 | ... | 7 5 6 | |
| | 248 | Rotowhakahokiriri | 16 | ... | " | 125 0 0 | 48 3 6 | ... | 48 3 6 | |
| | 249 | Te Rahui | 500 | ... | " | 86 15 0 | 58 11 0 | ... | 58 11 0 | |
| | 250 | Totara No. 3 | 347 | ... | " | 5s. 4p acre | 35 0 0 | ... | 35 0 0 | |
| | 251 | Tararua No. 2 | ... | ... | " | 1,352 10 0 | 97 4 0 | ... | 97 4 0 | |
| | 252 | Whirokino | 5,410 | ... | " | 13,000 0 0 | 1,114 16 0 | 476 13 9 | 1,591 9 9 | |
| | 253 | Horowhenua | 52,000 | ... | " | ... | ... | ... | ... | |

PART III.—GENERAL EXPENSES.

| HEADS OF EXPENDITURE. | AUCKLAND. | | | HAWKE'S BAY. | | | WELLINGTON. | | | TARANAKI. | | | TOTAL. | | |
|--|-----------|----|----|--------------|-----|-----|-------------|-----|-----|-----------|-----|-----|--------|----|----|
| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
| Salaries, Miscellaneous Services and Supplies, &c. | 17,645 | 12 | 3 | 233 | 14 | 5 | 17,880 | 3 | 10 | 2,200 | 6 | 2 | 37,909 | 16 | 8 |
| Payments to Provinces under Sections 47 and 48, Immigration and Public Works Act of 1872 | 17,917 | 0 | 0 | 3,000 | 0 | 0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 20,917 | 0 | 0 |
| Transfers to Native Land Act Account under Appropriation Acts of 1872-73-74-75 ... | 14,174 | 19 | 0 | 21 | 4 | 5 | 10,180 | 8 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 24,376 | 11 | 6 |
| In Suspense Account | 84 | 15 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 84 | 15 | 6 |
| | 49,822 | 6 | 9 | 3,254 | 18 | 10 | 28,010 | 11 | 11 | 2,200 | 6 | 2 | 83,288 | 3 | 8 |

PART IV.—RECAPITULATION.

| PROVINCE. | NUMBER OF ACRES. | | | EXPENDITURE. | AUCKLAND. | | | HAWKE'S BAY. | | | WELLINGTON. | | | TARANAKI. | | | TOTAL. | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------|---|-----------|----|----|--------------|----|----|-------------|----|----|-----------|----|----|----------|----|----|
| | Purchase. | Lease. | Total. | | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
| Negotiations Completed, Part 1 :— | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Auckland | 835,628 | 339,499 | 1,175,127 | Negotiations Completed, Part 1 ... | 122,127 | 12 | 6 | 24,747 | 3 | 1 | 58,409 | 13 | 0 | 36,393 | 0 | 3 | 241,677 | 8 | 10 |
| Hawke's Bay | 240,537 | ... | 240,537 | Negotiations in Progress, Part 2 ... | 95,077 | 18 | 11 | 1,865 | 6 | 0 | 22,722 | 10 | 6 | 772 | 14 | 2 | 120,438 | 9 | 7 |
| Wellington | 440,927 | ... | 440,927 | General Expenses, Part 3 ... | 49,822 | 6 | 9 | 3,254 | 18 | 10 | 28,010 | 11 | 11 | 2,200 | 6 | 2 | 83,288 | 3 | 8 |
| Taranaki | 252,880 | ... | 252,880 | Total Expenditure to 30 June, 1876 | 267,027 | 18 | 2 | 29,867 | 7 | 11 | 109,142 | 15 | 5 | 39,366 | 0 | 7 | 445,404 | 2 | 1 |
| Total | 1,769,972 | 339,499 | 2,109,471 | Balance remaining unexpended on 30 June, 1876 ... | 82,972 | 1 | 10 | 40,132 | 12 | 1 | 90,857 | 4 | 7 | 40,633 | 19 | 5 | *254,595 | 17 | 11 |
| Negotiations in Progress, Part 2 :— | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Auckland | 1,937,852 | 1,171,077 | 3,108,929 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hawke's Bay | 22,000 | ... | 22,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wellington | 694,763 | 307,835 | 1,002,598 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Taranaki | 41,252 | ... | 41,252 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 2,695,867 | 1,478,912 | 4,174,779 | Total Appropriation ... | 350,000 | 0 | 0 | 70,000 | 0 | 0 | 200,000 | 0 | 0 | 80,000 | 0 | 0 | 700,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Gross Total | 4,465,839 | 1,818,411 | 6,284,250 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

* Less undistributed advances to the Native Land Act Account, £13,915 16s. 11d., and Imprest Advances outstanding on 30 June, 1876, £29,138 17s. 8d.

Native Office, Wellington, 16th August, 1876.