

1877.

NEW ZEALAND.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONER OF NATIVE RESERVES,

FROM 1ST JULY, 1876, TO 30TH JUNE, 1877.

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

AUCKLAND.

THE lot No. 176, at Remuera, containing 8 acres, has been let on lease to Mr. Garrett Barry, for twenty-one years, from 1st January, 1877, at £10 a year, and £5 paid in advance. This land is the property of Raiha Puaha, of Porirua, having been purchased as an investment for her late father, Rawiri Puaha.

Lot No. 8, of section 16, Remuera, containing 5 acres, has been let by the year to Mr. Thomas Morrin, at a rent of £5. This land was purchased as an investment for the late chief Te Wharepu, of Waikato, and is the property of Ponui te Wharepu.

WAIUKU.

Preparatory to the issue of new grants for 37 reserves, under the provisions of "The Waiuku Native Grants Act, 1876," several surveys have been made by the Commissioner, of subdivisional boundaries, roads, and burial-places. The old grants were, pursuant to the Act, cancelled by Order in Council on the 1st June, 1877, and new grants in the terms of the Act are in course of preparation.

Several surveys of small reserves, in fulfilment of old promises, have also been made by the Commissioner, preparatory to the confiscated block being handed over to the local administration.

In conformity with the provisions of "The Waiuku Church of England Site Crown Grant Act, 1876," a Crown grant has been prepared for trustees for 1 acre 2 roods 20 perches of the Native Reserve at the dragging-place, in the village of Waiuku.

WELLINGTON.

Otari.

At the desire of the Public Petitions Committee of the House of Representatives on the petition of J. and R. Kilmister, and at the direction of the Hon. the Native Minister, I purchased from Raniera Pokowaenga and others, of the Ngatitama, at Taranaki, 50 acres of the Otari Reserve, situate between Kaiwhara and Makara, for the sum of £150.

The Messrs. Kilmister had by mistake built a house on and improved about 50 acres of the reserve, believing it to be their own land. The sum, which was a reasonable one, was supplied by Mr. J. Kilmister, to whom a conveyance of the fee-simple of the land has been made by the Natives. The reserve is one entirely in the management of the Natives. The Civil Commissioner (Major Brown) gave valuable assistance in arranging the payment.

Hutt.

I have purchased for the sum of £6 18s. the railroad site, comprising 1 acre 1 rood 27 perches of land in section 121, Upper Hutt, a private estate of Hemi Parae and others.

Petoni.

A block of 6 acres 2 roods 20 perches, in sections 1, 2, and 3, at Petoni, was necessary to the purposes of the Wellington and Masterton railroad, for workshop sites, &c. The negotiation was very protracted; eventually the sum of £662 10s. was accepted, and a conveyance executed by Henare Epuni and others to the Queen for the land.

The above purchases are all on lands over which the Natives have entire control.

The Natives have sold the following reserves, also in their own management, to private parties:—

Ohariu.

No. 16, subdivision of block 113, containing 60 acres, for £30, to R. C. Cook, on the 22nd May, 1876; and No. 10, of 60 acres, to Messrs. Cook, for £55, on the 7th September, 1876. The land, which is poor and precipitous, is near Opau Bay.

Tinakori.

No. 8, Orangi Kaupapa, containing 3 acres 7 perches, to E. H. Hunt, for £100. No. 9, Orangi Kaupapa, same area, to E. H. Hunt, for £100.

Hutt.

No. 5, Te Mome, containing 11 acres 2 roods 8 perches, to Mr. J. Barber, for £250. Section 120 (part of), from Hemi Parae to J. C. Mabey, for £276 15s. 6d.

Wellington.

Te Aro Pa, Lot No. 10, containing 22½ perches, to F. P. and A. Simeon, for £25 a year during life. Lot 3, containing 19 perches, to J. O'Shea, for £300. Lot 23, containing 6 perches, to J. Ashdown (a half-caste relative of grantee), as a free gift.

Leases have been arranged for the Natives of the following lands, viz.,—

Johnsonville.

Section No. 9, containing 152 acres, to Mr. Jas. Futter, for twenty-one years, at £106 a year.

Ohariu.

Native reserve, comprising parts of sections 7 and 8, containing 145 acres 1 rood, for twenty-one years, to Mr. Thomas Bould, at a rent of £108 18s. 9d. a year for seven years, and £123 9s. 3d. a year for remainder of term.

The Natives have, themselves, let the following reserves, viz.,—

Pipitea Pa.

Lot No. 6, containing 20 perches, to Mr. W. Ebdon, at £10 a year for seventeen years.

Te Aro Pa.

Lot No. 3, 19 perches, to Mr. C. L. Hart, for twenty-one years, at £30 a year. Lot No. 5, 6 perches, to Mr. C. L. Hart, for twenty-one years, at £5 a year. Lot Nos. 6 and 9, containing 8 perches and 29 perches, for twenty-one years, at £15 a year, to Mr. C. L. Hart. Lot No. 11, containing 3 perches, for twenty-one years, for £15 a year for the first seven years, and £25 a year for the remainder of term, to Messrs. Ross and Thompson. Lot No. 27 (part of), for twenty-one years, at £30 a year for the first fourteen years, and £40 a year for remainder of term, to Mr. C. O. Clayton.

Tinakori.

Lot No. 10, Orangi Kaupapa, containing 3 acres 7 perches, for fourteen years, to Mr. D. Williams, at £13 a year.

Hutt.

Section 36 (part of), 4 acres 20 perches, for five years, at £20 12s. a year, to Mr. T. Baxter. Section 1 (part of), 3 acres, for twenty-one years, at £20 a year, to Mr. A. P. Stuart. Section 58 (part of), 3 acres 34 perches, for twenty-one years, at £6 a year, to Mr. W. R. Welch. Section 58 (part of), 5 acres 2 roods 10 perches, for ten years, at £5 a year, to Mr. W. R. Welch. Lot No. 16 (part of), Petoni, containing 2 acres 3 roods 14 perches, for twenty-one years, at £20 a year, to Mr. D. Everest.

Otari.

Part of the Native reserve, containing 30 acres 1 rood 2 perches, to Mr. F. Rumsey, at £15 and £20 a year, on a term of twenty years.

Ohariu.

About ten years since Paiura Rangikatata was promised a Crown grant for 25 acres, in section 12, Ohariu Valley, on condition of his building a cottage and residing there. The conditions having been performed, the grant has been issued to him.

Tauranga.

The Native reserve Nos. 14 and 114, in the Parish of Te Papa, containing 159 acres 2 roods 20 perches, has been let, after advertisement, for twenty-one years, to Mr. R. C. Jordan, at £25 a year. This section is much cut up by roads crossing it, which deteriorates from its value as a farm, and has, until lately, prevented its letting.

All the reserves under my management having now been let, mostly on twenty-one years' leases, and the work of the department brought into system and simplified, I have been able to recommend that my salary as Commissioner of Native Reserves should be reduced. This has been done—from £500 to £100 a year—taking effect from the 1st of April last.

I append a debtor and creditor account of my receipts and expenditure for the year.

I have, &c.,

The Under Secretary, Native Department,
Wellington, 7th July, 1877.

CHARLES HEAPHY,
Commissioner, Native Reserves.

Accounts.

RENTS received from 1st June, 1876, to 30th June, 1877, at the Commissioner of Native Reserves' Office, Wellington.

Date.	Name.	Estate.	When Due.	Period.	Amount.
1876.			1876.	Months.	£ s. d.
June 5	F. G. and G. W. Gane...	Section 503, Patea ...	April 1	6	8 6 3
" 17	F. W. Smith ...	Paikakariki ...	June 30	6	6 10 0
" 29	J. Collins ...	Part 37 and 39, Polhill's Gully	" 30	6	7 10 0
" 29	J. Collins ...	Part 39 and 41, Polhill's Gully	" 6	6	5 0 0
" 29	A. Mackay ...	Ramaroa ...	" 6	6	7 10 0
" 30	J. McGrath ...	Porirua ...	Dec. 31	12	40 0 0
July 10	R. Lyon ...	23, Polhill's Gully ...	June 30	6	7 10 0
" 12	J. Fitchett ...	43, Polhill's Gully ...	" 30	6	5 10 0
" 17	J. Marshall ...	91, Ohariu ...	" 30	6	7 10 0
" 17	J. E. Smith ...	Part 543, Pipitea Street	" 30	6	3 0 0
" 18	E. J. King ...	Porirua ...	July 13	6	30 0 0
" 18	E. J. King ...	Porirua ...	" 13	6	5 0 0
" 18	E. J. King ...	Porirua ...	June 30	6	5 0 0
Aug. 9	Rev. J. Petit Jean ...	Makara ...	" 30	6	0 10 0
" 10	J. Dransfield ...	45, Polhill's Gully ...	" 1	6	6 10 0
" 10	W. O'Malley ...	Wellington (stables) ...	Oct. 21	16	17 1 6
" 10	Dr. Johnston ...	972 to 989, Te Aro ...	June 30	6	16 0 0
" 14	Thos. Bould ...	7 and 8, Ohariu ...	" 30	6	43 11 6
" 17	J. Cruickshank ...	132, Mungaroa ...	" 30	6	5 0 0
" 19	W. France ...	12 and 13, Ohariu ...	" 30	3	3 13 6
Sept. 9	Waari Kairangi ...	2½ per cent. on £5 ...	" ...	" ...	0 2 6
" 11	W. Freeman ...	Part 543, Pipitea Street	June 30	6	9 0 0
" 11	W. Cornor ...	Polhill's Gully ...	Aug. 26	12	12 0 0
" 18	Meihana Taiapu ...	2½ per cent. on £6 ...	" ...	" ...	0 3 0
Oct. 3	Lieut.-Colonel Moule ...	Wellington (barracks)	1874. Mar. 31	9	10 10 0
" 5	J. Sheehan ...	88, Whenuakura ...	1876. Oct. 31	6	22 15 0
" 5	J. Fitchett ...	Polhill's Gully ...	Sept. 25	6	6 0 0
" 5	E. J. King ...	Porirua ...	Aug. 23	6	6 0 0
" 16	Napier and Mitchell ...	547, Patea ...	1877. Mar. 31	6	4 3 9
" 16	W. H. Watt ...	488 and 489, Patea ...	1876. Sept. 30	6	8 9 0
" 16	C. and E. Symes ...	28, Whenuakura ...	1877. Mar. 31	6	10 13 9
" 16	J. F. and G. W. Gane...	503, Patea ...	" 31	6	8 6 3
" 18	John Smith ...	19 and 21, Ohiro ...	1876. Oct. 18	6	20 0 0
" 18	Peter Trotter ...	22 and 24, Makara ...	Nov. 1	12	30 0 0
Nov. 7	Mrs. Salmon ...	11, Pipitea Pa ...	" 1	6	10 0 0
" 11	W. France ...	12 and 13, Ohariu ...	Sept. 30	3	3 13 6
" 15	— Dasent ...	94, Whenuakura ...	" 30	12	19 5 0
" 22	F. W. Smith ...	Paikakariki ...	Dec. 31	6	6 10 0
Dec. 1	J. Bryant ...	Kumuore ...	" 1	12	10 0 0
" 1	Dr. Johnston ...	995 to 1005, Te Aro ...	Sept. 30	6	10 0 0
" 8	R. Lyon ...	23, Polhill's Gully ...	Dec. 31	6	7 10 0
" 27	Wi Tako ...	2½ per cent. on £121 1s 6d	" ...	" ...	3 0 6
1877.					
Jan. 3	John Collins ...	39 and 37, Polhill's Gully	Dec. 31	6	7 10 0
" 3	John Collins ...	39 and 41, Polhill's Gully	" 31	6	5 0 0
" 5	J. Whitehouse ...	Komanga ...	" 31	12	40 0 0
" 8	J. E. Smith ...	Part 543, Pipitea Pa ...	" 31	6	3 0 0
" 9	A. Mackay ...	Ramaroa ...	" 31	6	7 10 0
" 10	J. Luxford ...	1081 and 1082, Te Aro	1877. June 30	9	1 11 6
" 16	E. J. King ...	Porirua ...	Jan. 13	6	30 0 0
" 16	E. J. King ...	Porirua ...	" 13	6	5 0 0
" 16	E. J. King ...	Porirua ...	1876. Dec. 31	6	5 0 0
" 26	J. Fitchett ...	43, Polhill's Gully ...	" 31	6	5 10 0
Feb. 17	J. Marshall ...	91, Ohariu ...	" 31	6	7 10 0
" 15	W. France ...	12 and 13 Ohariu ...	" 31	3	3 13 6
" 28	Harata ...	2½ per cent. on £15 ...	" ...	" ...	0 7 0
Mar. 5	Dr. Johnston ...	972 to 989, Te Aro ...	Dec. 31	6	16 0 0

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1877.			1876.	Months.	£ s. d.
March 6	J. Cruickshank	132, Mungaroa	Dec. 31	6	5 6 0
" 7	H. S. Palmerson	Palmerston North	" 31	6	13 10 4
" 8	J. Dransfield	45, Polhill's Gully	" 1	6	6 10 0
" 16	Rev. McGuiness	Makara	" 31	6	0 10 0
" 19	W. Freeman	Part 543, Pipitea Street	" 31	6	9 0 0
			1877.		
April 4	J. Sheehan	88, Whenuakura	April 1	6	22 15 0
" 5	E. J. Symes	28, Whenuakura	Sept. 30	6	10 13 9
" 16	J. Fitchett	41, Polhill's Gully	Mar. 25	6	6 0 0
			1876.		
" 17	T. Bould	7 and 8, Ohariu	Dec. 31	6	43 11 6
			1877.		
" 17	E. J. King	Porirua	Feb. 23	6	6 0 0
" 19	Gane Brothers	503, Patea	Mar. 31	6	8 6 3
" 25	John Smith	19 and 21, Ohiro	April 16	6	20 0 0
" 25	Ihaia Porutu	2½ per cent. on £33 3s. 3d.	"	"	0 16 6
May 3	Mrs. Salmon	11, Pipitea Pa	May 1	6	10 0 0
" 22	G. Beaven	Waiau, Wairoa	Mar. 31	12	36 0 0
" 28	Raiha Puaha	2½ per cent. on £6	"	"	0 3 0
" 28	Warena Tunui	2½ per cent. on £1	"	"	0 0 6
June 4	W. France	12 and 13, Ohariu	April 30	3	3 13 6
" 4	Dr. Johnston	995 to 1005, Te Aro	Mar. 31	6	10 0 0
" 8	G. Smith	347, Pakuratahi	" 31	9	45 0 0
" 13	Wi Tako	2½ per cent. on £109 1s 6d	"	"	2 14 6
" 18	E. J. Foothead	1098 and 1100, Te Aro	May 31	6	2 0 0
" 25	J. McGrath	Porirua	Dec. 31	12	40 0 0
		Total Wellington	...	...	£888 12 4

AUCKLAND AND TAURANGA.

July 12	Thos. Corbett	3 and 4, Tauranga	Sept. 30	6	2 10 0
" 12	F. Köller	140 and 141, Tauranga	July 30	6	2 10 0
" 17	T. S. Grace	Tauranga	" 30	12	3 10 0
Aug. 31	M. Sims	Onehunga	April 1	15	4 10 0
Oct. 22	J. White	Mongonui	July 26	14 weeks	1 8 0
			1877.		
Dec. 13	Thos. Corbett	3 and 4, Tauranga	Mar. 31	6	2 10 0
" 19	C. Harding	Mechanics' Bay	On account	rent due	50 0 6
			1876.		
Jan. 30	F. Köller	140 and 141, Tauranga	Dec. 31	6	2 10 0
" 30	Noah Parsons	50, Tauranga	" 31	12	0 12 6
Feb. 5	Owen Jones	Auckland	" 31	12	12 0 0
" 6	C. Harding	Mechanics' Bay	June 30	Balnc. due	24 19 6
			1877.		
" 8	J. W. Gray	72, sec. 1, Tauranga	Jan. 31	12	5 0 0
" 15	G. Berry	176, Remuera	June 30	6	5 0 0
Mar. 12	G. Morrin	Native Reserve, Remuera	Mar. 31	12	5 0 0
" 14	Raiha Puaha	2½ per cent. on £5	"	"	0 2 6
April 17	W. Corbett	Mechanics' Bay	Jan. 1	6	6 0 0
May 21	Thos. Corbett	3 and 4, Tauranga	Sept. 30	6	2 10 0
June 5	J. White	Mongonui	April 25	15 weeks	1 10 0
		Total Auckland	...	...	£132 3 0
		Total Wellington	...	...	888 12 4
		Total receipts	...	...	£1,020 15 4

WELLINGTON.

1876.	Expenditure.	£ s. d.
June 3.	Neta Paratene, rent	8 0 0
" 27.	Ngapaki te Puni, rent	10 0 0
July 8.	Wi Tako and others, rent	108 11 6
Aug. 1.	Tepene Paramatta, rent	6 10 0
" 13.	Waari Kairangi, rent	1 0 0
" 15.	Pene Kote, rent	20 0 0
" 15.	Ngahuka Tungia, rent	30 0 0
	Carried forward	184 1 6

							£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	...	...	...	...	...	184	1	6
Aug. 18.	Hohaia Pokaitara, rent	...	...	...	...	...	20	0	0
" 25.	Paiura, rent	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	6
Sept. 5.	Rapihana te Ote Ote, rent	...	...	...	...	...	7	10	0
" 8.	Waari Kairangi, rent	...	...	...	...	...	5	0	0
" 18.	Meihana Taipu, rent	...	...	...	...	...	6	0	0
" 27.	Neta Paratene, rent	...	...	...	...	...	2	9	0
" 27.	Mete Kingi, rent	...	...	...	...	...	2	9	0
Oct. 4.	Hohaia Pokaitara, rent	...	...	...	...	...	5	0	0
Nov. 11.	Paiura, rent	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	6
" 13.	Neta Paratene, rent	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	6
" 13.	Mete Kingi, rent	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	6
Dec. 18.	Major Kemp, rent	...	...	...	...	...	72	0	0
" 19.	Tepene Paramatta, rent	...	...	...	...	...	6	10	0
" 23.	Wi Tako and others, rent	...	...	...	...	...	121	1	6
" 23.	Neta Paratene, rent	...	...	...	...	...	30	0	0
1877.									
Jan. 3.	Nopira te Ngiha, rent	...	...	...	...	...	5	0	0
" 9.	Neta Paratene, rent	...	...	...	...	...	10	0	0
" 9.	Meihana Taipu, rent	...	...	...	...	...	5	0	0
Mar. 1.	Paiura, rent	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	6
" 6.	Ngapeki te Puni, rent	...	...	...	...	...	10	0	0
April 19.	Meihana Taipu, rent	...	...	...	...	...	35	0	0
" 20.	Raiha Puaha, rent	...	...	...	...	...	6	0	0
" 25.	Ihaia Porutu, rent	...	...	...	...	...	33	2	8
May 3.	Neta and Mete Kingi, rent	...	...	...	...	...	2	9	0
Jan. 13.	Wi Tako and others, rent	...	...	...	...	...	109	1	6
" 13.	Neta Paratene, rent	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	6
" 13.	Mete Kingi, rent	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	6
" 13.	Paiura, rent	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	6
Total Wellington							£687	10	2

AUCKLAND.

							£	s.	d.
Mar. 14.	Raiha Puaha, rent	...	...	...	...	...	5	0	0
" 20.	Ponui te Wharepu, rent	...	...	...	...	...	5	0	0
Total Auckland							£10	0	0
Total Wellington							687	10	2
Total Expenditure							£697	10	2
Total Receipts							£1,020	15	4
Total Expenditure							697	10	2
Balance							£323	5	2

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