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granted to Natives, on to Tuwhaia, and on to Wangarewa and Mangatua to Taumata-a-te-ao at the

commencing point.

The boundaries of the said block of land called Puketoi commence at Takiao, running on from there to Pongatapahia, on to Manuepia, on to Te Uru-o-Mangatore, on To Te Whata Tuara to Puketoi at the boundary line of Government land, thence along that line on to Te Arawharaunga, to Matahiwi, to Pahakia, to Te Kawakawa, to Te Ruatupapaku, to Nga-Mahanga-a-ruatea, to Mangapapa, and on to Heretaunga, falling in to Tiraumea River, thence following that river towards Manawatu, on to Makino, to Te Apiti, to Kohinui, to Makairo, to Piwha, and on to Moana, coming out at Manawatu; thence turning at Manawatu running on to Paekitaranaki, on to Huaronui, to Te Rata, to Matawhaua, and extending on to and meeting at commencing point at Takiao.

RAPANA PAKAHA, his mark. WIRIHANA MOKOPUNA. HURU TE HIARO. PAINETU TE HORO. HOHEPA PAEWAI. KARAURIA MATUAKAINGA. PENE HAROPA. MAKARINI WHAKARONGO. HEKETA TE AWE. NERIAHA MATIU. IHAIA TE NGARARA. WAIONE.

Signed by the said Rapana Pakaha and others, in presence of

S. LOCKE.

RICHARD GOLDSMITH, Carpenter, Napier.

KARAITIANA.

The boundaries of Te Ahuaturanga block commence at Poraka, from thence on to Kereru, thence on to Pukerangi, thence on to Taumata-o-te-ao, from thence turning towards the Ruahine, running on to Te Manga-atua, from thence on to Mangarewa, to Otuwhaia, Wharite, and Te Raikipuhanga, turning from there and running on to Makahika to Te Koroatui, Makino, and Manawatu, turning from thence and running on to Hukaawai, Mangatarere, Potae, to Te Waha-o-te-Kopi, to Otuparua, Roimata, Te Karaka-a-te-Makohu, Te Ruakarika, Tauata Kowau, Te Rongo-a-pohia, Te Potaka, and extending on and meeting at commencing point at Kereru.

NERIAHA MATIU. HOHEPA PAEWAI. MANAHI PAEWAI. HEKETA TE AWE. PENE HAKOPA. WIRIHANA KAIMOKOPUNA. HURU TE HIARO. URUPENE PUHARA. IHAIA TE NGARARA. KARAURIA MATUAKAINGA. HEMI TE URANGA. WATONE. HAKUIRA PAEWAI, his M mark. RATA TE HUIA. HIRAKA TUHUA. Patu. PAIRETE TE HORO. HANI HAUERANGI, his w mark.

Signed by the said Neriaha Matiu and others, in the presence of

RICHARD GOLDSMITH, Carpenter, Napier.

KARAITIANA.

No. 5.

The Hon. W. GISBORNE to His Honor J. D. ORMOND.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

SIR,-

Wellington, 18th May, 1870.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant, enclosing copy

of a letter sent by you to the Hon. the Native Minister, reporting the arrangement made for the purchase of the Forty Mile Bush.

In reply, I have the honor to inform you that the Government is advised that the Queen's power to take a surrender of Native rights still exists. But it should be considered, in any case where that course is proposed to be taken, whether the title is so clear and indisputable as to render it safe to proceed without the adjudication of the Court.

The General Government Agent, Napier.

I have, &c., W. GISBORNE.