FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE

RELATING TO THE

MANAWATU-RANGITIKEI PURCHASE.

PRESENTED TO BOTH HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, BY COMMAND OF HIS EXCELLENCY.

WELLINGTON.

1872.

CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE MANAWATU-RANGITIKEI PURCHASE.

No. 1.

The Hon. D. McLean to His Honor the Superintendent, Wellington.

Sir,—

Native Office, Wellington, 2nd November, 1871.

From intelligence received from Rangitikei, I am glad to be able to inform you that Mr. Carkeek is progressing satisfactorily with the survey of reserves in that district.

I beg to suggest to your Honor that it would be most advisable that the Native reserves should be accurately defined and laid out before the subdivision of the lands for sale and settlement. In almost every instance where this step has been omitted, delays have occurred and differences with the Natives have frequently arisen, which might otherwise have been easily avoided if this necessary preliminary had been more fully attended to.

His Honor the Superintendent, Wellington.

I have, &c., DONALD McLEAN.

No. 2.

The Hon. D. McLean to His Honor the Superintendent, Wellington.

Native Office, Wellington, 30th March, 1872. SIR.-Referring to the suggestions made by your Honor in a conversation held with you on the subject of the Rangitikei-Manawatu Block, I have the honor to inform you that I entirely concur with your views on the subject of the resumption by you of the management of these lands. I have already intimated to your Honor that the main difficulties connected with this question have been removed. They consisted chiefly in the surveys and definition of reserves and boundaries; and now all arrangements concerning the larger reserves, and those whose adjustment was attended with the greatest difficulties, have been completed so as to obviate any future complications. At the same time, there are still details to be settled, such as the definition of burial grounds, eel lagoons, &c.

Your Honor is aware of the importance often attached by Natives to isolated spots of this kind, and of the advantage which in many cases attends the surrender of a few acres situated in localities

where the land is not of much value.

With regard to the surveyors whom you so promptly placed under my instructions to mark off the Native reserves, I consider that the time has now arrived for re-transferring them to your Honor, and for the discontinuance of advances for their pay. I do not think that the services of more than one will be necessary to complete the arrangements entered into by me with the Natives, and for this service I would suggest the employment of Mr. Morgan Carkeek, who was present at the several interviews affecting the reserves.

Among the unfinished transactions, there is one touching two mortgages—one, for one thousand

pounds; the other, for five hundred pounds.

On the thousand pounds mortgage, the Natives have already obtained an advance of three hundred

pounds, leaving them to receive a sum of twelve hundred pounds altogether.

This is to be paid, at the request of the Natives, on the completion of all surveys in which Ngatikauwhata are interested, and on the final definition of all reserves. It has also been arranged that maps should be furnished, signed by the Natives prior to the payment of the money, and that some of the leading chiefs should give the necessary authority for Mr. Macdonald to receive it for them, and should attend in Wellington to witness the payment.

The drafts of the deeds are now in the hands of the Attorney-General for preparation.

Instructions will be issued to the Treasury to enable you to obtain the above-named sum of twelve hundred pounds when required.

I have, &c., DONALD McLEAN.

His Honor the Superintendent, Wellington.

No. 3.

The Hon. W. FITZHERBERT to the Hon. the NATIVE MINISTER.

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Wellington, 29th June, 1872.

Referring to your letter of the 30th March last, No. 1,304, in which you inform me that instructions will be issued to the Treasury to enable me to obtain twelve hundred pounds when

I have now the honor to inform you that I shall probably require the above-named sum on Monday next, and shall be obliged by your giving the necessary instructions for it to be placed at my

disposal.

I have, &c., WILLIAM FITZHERBERT, Superintendent.

The Hon. the Native Minister, Wellington.

CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE

No. 4.

The Hon. W. FITZHERBERT to the Hon. the NATIVE MINISTER.

SIR,—

Superintendent's Office, Wellington, 3rd September, 1872.

I have the honor to forward to you herewith, for your information, detailed Schedules of the Native reserves in the Rangitikei-Manawatu Block. Also tracing showing the position of each reserve. All the reserves shown on tracing have been surveyed and pegged off on the ground.

The information given under the head of "Owners" will require to be examined by yourself.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,
Superintendent.

The Hon. D. McLean, Native Minister, Wellington.

Enclosure in No. 4. SCHEDULE of Reserves given to Natives in the Rangitikei-Manawatu Block, by the Hon. the Native Minister.

| | | Hon. the | INA | TIVE W | INISTER. |
|-----------------|------------------|---|---------|---|--|
| No. | Acres. | Position. | | | Owners. |
| - | 000 | Manual Piron | | | Pana to Whater |
| 1 | 200 | Mangawhatu, Oroua River | ••• | ••• | Tapu te Whutu. |
| 2 | 50 | Junction of Makino and Mangaone | ••• | ••• | Ngatikauwhatu Tribe. |
| 3, 12 | 400 | Junction of Makino and Mangaone | • • • | ••• | Ngatikauwhatu Tribe. |
| 4 | 1,035 | Kawa Kawa | ••• | ••• | Ngatikauwhatu Tribe. |
| 5 | 514 | Reserve at Pakehou | ••• | ••• | Purchased from Natives. |
| 6 | 40 | Rotonni a hau, on the Orona River | ••• | ••• | Ngatikauwhatu Tribe. |
| 7, 15, 65 | } 30 | Tauranganui, on the Oroua River | ••• | ••• | Te Aru Takana. |
| 8 | 50 | Oau | ••• | ••• | Wirihari te Angi Angi. |
| 9 | 40 | Oau | | ••• | Wirihari te Angi Angi. |
| 10 | 100 | Kairakau, on the Oroua River | • • • • | • • • • | Matene te Whiwhi. |
| 11 | 200 | Kopani, on the Oroua River | ••• | ••• | Ngatikauwhatu Tribe. |
| 12 | <u></u> | Vide No. 3. | | | VII II . DI |
| 13 | 100 | Adjoining 3 and 12 | • • • | ••• | Waikato Natives. |
| 14 | $110\frac{1}{2}$ | Paparata, near Oau | ••• | ••• | Ngatowehiwehi Tribe. |
| 15 | | Vide No. 7. | | | m.t |
| 15A | 50 | Above Kawa Kawa, on the Oroua Riv | | ••• | Taimona. |
| 16 | 50 | Near Small Farm Town | ••• | ••• | Anitu Pekhama. |
| 17 | 1,100 | Puketotaru | ••• | • ••• | Rangitane Tribe. Hare Rukena. |
| 18 | 500 | Adjoining the above | ••• | *** | Hare Rukena. Hoani Meihana. |
| 19 | 35½ | Waipunoke, on the Oroua River | ••• | ••• | l |
| 20 | 10 | Patangu, on the Oroua River Mataihiwhi | ••• | ••• | Kere. |
| 21 | 100 | 36 4 21 11 | ••• | • • • • • | Nepia Taratoa. |
| 214 | 19 | Mataihiwhi | ••• | ••• | Ahurotu. |
| 22 | 125 | Near Mangamahoi Mataihiwhi | ••• | ••• | Kerehama. Ereuoru Taratou. |
| 23 23a | 100 | 1 25 . 11 . 1 . 1 | ••• | ••• | Winiatu. |
| 23A 24 | $19 \\ 124$ | 1 TO. | ••• | ••• | · |
| 25 25 | 100 | lar ar ı | • • • • | ••• | Ngatikahori Tribe. Ateretu Taratou. |
| $\frac{25}{26}$ | | Vide No. 33. | ••• | *** | Arcicul Tarabou. |
| $\frac{20}{27}$ | 50 | Near Maramahoru | | | Kerenuhaua. |
| 27A | 50 | Near Small Farm Town | ••• | | Weretn. |
| 28 | 615 | Near Paku Rakateu | ••• | ••• | Ngatiparewaha Tribe. |
| 28A | 192 | Near Small Farm Town | • • • | ••• | Ngatiparewaha Tribe. |
| 29 | , | Not settled; 8 acres at Koputara. | | | |
| 30 | 285 | Ohinepuhiaroe | | ••• | Hare Reweti and others. |
| 31 | 100 | Mingirou | | | Aperahamu. |
| 32 | 11 | Near Waipunoke, at the Oroua River | ٠ | • • • • | Hoani Meihanu. |
| 33, 26 | 439 | Poutu, near Makawai | | ••• | Hare Reweti and others, |
| 34 | ••• | Maramahoru | ••• | ••• | Aperahamu. |
| | | Included in Maramahoru Reserve. | | | |
| 35 | ••• | Vide No. 73, 10 acres for Hone te Tel | nı. | | M 4:11 (F.::1) |
| 36 | 100 | Tawhirihoe | ••• | ••• | Ngatikahoro Tribe. Te Peiria. |
| 37 | 102 | Near Mangamatoi | ••• | ••• | |
| 38 39 | 100 | Kaputara, 60 acres, not settled | ••• | ••• | Matenga te Mataku. Hunia. |
| 40 | 200 | (D. TZ 337 | ••• | ••• | Ngatuipu Tribe. |
| 40 | 200 87 | 1 mm - 1 mm | ••• | ••• | Hunia. |
| 42 | 50 | NT VV - i - i | ••• | | Hakaraia. |
| 43 | 1,000 | m | ••• | • | Hamueru and others. |
| 44 | 20 | A | ••• | ••• | Kawana te Akeke. |
| 45 | 390 | Puki Puki | ••• | ••• | Ngatiapu Tribe. |
| 4 6 | 400 | Near Waitoi | | ••• | Utuku and others. |
| 47 | 4,510 | Te Reu Reu | ••• | | The Ngatipikihau and others. |
| 48 | 77 | Rangitawa | | | Meta. |
| 49 | $35\frac{1}{2}$ | Awahou | ••• | | Ponapu. |
| 65 | Vide | Ngapiro | ••• | | Te Ara. |
| | No. 7 | Oroua River | ••• | | Tokana. |
| 66 | 40 | Ruahine, Oroua River | | | Ngatikauwhatu Tribe. |
| 67 | 10 | Te Maraounra, Oroua River. | | | |
| 69 | 211 | Tokorangi | ••• | ••• | Surveyed by Mr. Carkeek, under instructions of the |
| | 400 | D. 1. 4. | | | Hon. the Native Minister. |
| 72 | 100 | Puketotaru | ••• | ••• | Metupiri. |
| 73,35 | 110 | Near Small Farm Town | ••• | | 100 acres for Te Pemu and others. |
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MANAWATU-RANGITIKEI PURCHASE.

SCHEDULE of Reserves given to Natives in the Rangitikei-Manawatu Block, by Dr. Featherston.

| No. | Acres. | Position. | | | | Owners. | | |
|------------|--------|----------------|--|--|---------|---------|--|--|
| 6 3 | 300 | Awahuri | | | | | Tapa Te Whata. | |
| 54 | 1,000 | Paka Paka Teu | | | | | Huneu. | |
| 55 | 500 | Te Kau Wau | | | ••• | | Ngatiapu Tribe. | |
| 56 | 100 | Te Kau Wau | | | | | Ratene (pre-emptive right to be paid for). | |
| 57 | 11 | Awa Hau | | | • • • • | | Ngatiupu. | |
| 58 | 3 | Awa Hau | | | | | Hunia. | |
| 59 | 13 | Tawhirihoe | | | | | Ngatiapu Tribe. | |
| 60 | 10 | Waipori | | | | | Ngatiapu Tribe. | |
| 61 | 50 | Tawĥirihoe | | | | | Ihukuru. | |
| 62 | 50 | Matuihiwhi | | | | | Nepiu Taratou and others. | |
| 63 | 147 | Near Marawahoi | | | | | Horowonu. | |
| 68 | 50 | Near Marawahoi | | | | | Ataren. | |
| 70 | 100 | Ohinipuhinoi | | | .,. | | Harekewito and others. | |
| 71 | 1,066 | Puketotaru | | | | | Rangitane Tribe. | |

SCHEDULE of Reserves in the Rangitikei-Manawatu Block awarded by the Native Lands Court on the 16th October, 1869.

| No. | Acres. | | Posit | ion. | | Owners. | |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--|-------|------|--|---------|--|
| 50 51 52 64 | 4,500 500 200 1,026 | Awahuri Oronu Bridge Oau Mangawatoe | | | | ••• | Ngatikauwhatu Tribe. Kooro Te One. Wirihari Te Angi. Ngatikahoro, &c. |

RECAPITULATION of Reserves in the Rangitikei-Manawatu Block awarded to Natives.

| By whom Awarded. | | | | | | | | Contents. | | |
|---|----|-----|-----|--|--|--|-----|-----------|--|--|
| The Hon. the Native Minist Dr. Featherston The Native Lands Court | er | ••• | ••• | | | | ••• | | | Acres. $14,379\frac{1}{2}$ $3,361$ $6,226$ |
| Total | l | | | | | | | ••• | | 23,9661 |

Jos. G. Holdsworth, Commissioner of Crown Lands.