

BLOCKS of LAND on which ADVANCES have been made—continued.

| No. | District. | Name of Block. | Area. | Payment to date. | Title. | General Remarks. |
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| 8 | " | Horowhenua | Acres. 52,000 | £ s. d. 64 16 0 | Interlocutory Order, N. L. C. | £20 of this money was advanced by me to Rangitirupuni, the principal claimant, with consent of Meihia Keepa and others. Majority of claimants now wish to retain the property in their own hands. I propose obtaining refund through Mr. H. McDonald, lessee of a portion of block. |
| 9 | " | Kutitirau | 50 | 15 0 0 | Not surveyed. Application sent in. | There will be considerable delay before this block can be further dealt with. I propose, therefore, to accept refund. |
| 10 | " | Parikawan | 79 | 33 0 0 | Interlocutory Order | Isolated from rest of Government-purchased land; propose to accept refund. |
| 11 | " | Ngawhakarua | 50 | 10 0 0 | Certificate | The advance was made at request of late Superintendent of Wellington, Sir W. Fitzherbert; it was then the intention of Provincial Government to bridge Manawatu River at that point; the scheme has now been abandoned. I propose to accept a refund. |
| 12 | Otahi | Huritini | 1,077 | 6 0 0 | Certificate 17th sec. | Block is now leased by Natives as a sheep run; propose to accept refund through lessee. |
| 13 | " | Ringawhahi | 400 doubtful | 125 0 0 | " | A considerable block of land north of the Okaki River; was formerly known by name of Ringawhahi, and advances made thereon. This land, on passing through Native Land Court, was awarded under other names, and in some instances to other Natives of the same <i>hapu</i> than those to whom the advances had been made. Some of the Natives to whom the advances were so made have promised to refund. |
| 14 | " | Tararua No. 2 | ... | 35 0 0 | " | This money was advanced by order of late Sir D. McLean, and by his order placed against Tararua. If any money is paid to Ngatiraukawa on account of their claims on this block already purchased by Government, this amount must be stopped. |
| 15 | " | Rotowhakahokiriri | 16 | 7 5 6 | Crown Grant | One grantee is dead, and delay has been caused by non-sitting of Native Land Court wherein to obtain Succession Order; propose to accept a refund; ground, although good, is isolated from other purchases; price, £2 an acre. |
| 16 | " | Muhunua No. 1 | 1,110 | 31 9 2 | Interlocutory Order, N. L. C. | Committee of House of Representatives on Native affairs last session promised a rehearing in this case; propose to accept refund. |
| 17 | Wanganui | Pikopiko No. 3 | 2,700 | 101 0 0 | Not passed Court | I propose to accept refund. |
| 18 | " | Okaka | 15,000 | 175 0 0 | Not surveyed | Stoppage of Murimotu survey will hang this block up for some time. I propose if possible to get refund of money advanced. |
| 19 | " | Otairi | ... | 50 0 0 | Not surveyed; application made | This block is also connected with Murimotu, and, it will be so long before it can be dealt with, I propose to accept refund of advances. |
| 20 | " | Arapakina | 10,000 | 91 0 0 | Not surveyed | The above remarks have equal reference to this block. |
| 21 | " | Te Kopanga | 50,000 | 50 0 0 | " | This block is in the Tuhua country. Natives are now anxious to occupy the country themselves, and stock it with sheep. I think Topia Tuoroa might be induced to refund this amount, which was advanced to his uncle, the late Tahana Tuoroa. |
| 22 | " | Hauhungatahi | 30,000 | 50 0 0 | " | Have already received instructions from Government not to proceed with this purchase, application to that effect having been made to Government by Native owners through Major Cooper. |
| 23 | " | Maketu Murimotu | 5,000 | 25 0 0 | " | This block is now tied up by action of Meihia Keepa and other Wanganui Natives <i>re</i> Murimotu lands; propose therefore a refund of money advanced. |
| 24 | " | Parae-a-pina | No acreage | 25 0 0 | " | This block is part of Murimotu, and subject to same difficulties as Maketu. |
| 25 | " | Ohineiti | 5,000 | 25 0 0 | " | Owing to opposition on part of some of claimants to this block, it has not been possible to have it surveyed. I propose a refund. |
| 26 | " | Oteka | 7,000 | 20 0 0 | " | This block is North of Waitotara River, and was represented as being inland of confiscated boundary line; it is doubtful, however, if a portion thereof is not within the line; under these circumstances, I propose a refund. |
| 27 | Otahi | Ngakaroro No. 6 | 142 | 5 0 0 | Interlocutory Order | I propose to accept refund in this case. |

Wanganui, 27th June, 1877.

JAMES BOOTH, Land Purchase Officer.