

than a sum equivalent to 2s. 6d. per acre, then such deduction shall only be allowed in respect of the amount of such total cost.

6. The said road shall be of the width of 66 feet at the least, and shall be formed and completed in the manner in accordance with the plan and specification thereof deposited in the office of the Secretary for Crown Lands at Wellington.

7. When the road is completed it shall be examined by a competent person appointed by the Secretary for Crown Lands, and if such person shall report that the same is constructed in accordance with the said plan and specification, and the report is approved by the Secretary for Crown Lands, a Crown grant of the said land shall be issued to the purchaser.

8. The said grant shall contain a provision that there shall be reserved to the Governor, on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, her heirs and successors, the right at any time within ten years from the date of the grant to take and lay off for public purposes one or more line or lines of road through the lands comprised therein, but so that the total quantity of land which may be taken for such line or lines of road shall not be more than after the rate of five acres for every one hundred acres :

Provided that the term "road" shall extend to and include any land required by the Governor on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, her heirs and successors, for a railway, tramway, bridge, or other public work of a like nature :

Provided also that it shall be lawful for the Governor at any time, by indorsement on the grant, or on a subsequent instrument of disposition, or by separate deed, to release any such right, and to discharge the land comprised therein from the said liability ; and nothing herein contained shall authorize the taking of any lands which shall be occupied by any buildings, gardens, orchards, plantations, or ornamental grounds.

PIAKO AND WAIKATO SWAMP.

Extract from Specifications.

THE whole of the roadway between the drains shall be cleared, and any ti-tree or scrub shall be placed crossways on the centre of the roadway, and covered.

The whole of the material taken out of both drains shall be spread, 30 feet wide, on the centre of the roadway, to be 6 inches deep at the sides, and as deep as the material will allow in the centre.

Where the material taken out of the drains is clay, gravel, sand, or earth, it shall be spread on the top of the roadway 14 feet wide in the position shown on plan.

17th November, 1874.

DANIEL SIMPSON,
Engineer.

This will never be serviceable as a road until thoroughly fascined, the fascines well covered with peat, and that topped up with 9 inches of gravel. No doubt it will be easier and better to do this after the drains are cut and the light formation made as proposed. In any case, the drains will require to be re-cut, as they are certain to close both in width and depth. There is no ti-tree in the middle of the swamp.

The road shown by double lines appeared to me wholly unsatisfactory both for the purchasers and the public. I urged verbally the oblique line shown in double dotted lines. Ultimately I understand that Mr. Whitaker consents to make a road nearly as shown by the red line (drawn by him).

January, 1875.

T. HEALE.

MEMORANDA OF ARRANGEMENTS as to WAIKATO SWAMP.

THE whole of the land comprised within the red lines to be granted according to the terms of the original agreement, except such portions as may be required for a reserve for the Natives at Tauhei.

In exchange for their reserve, the intended grantees to be granted land of equal value, or a remission of purchase of that value.

All the allotments in the First Schedule to be granted to the intended grantees, for which they are to be charged after the rate of 5s. an acre.

All the allotments in the Second Schedule to be granted to the intended grantees, for which they are to be charged at the rate of 10s. an acre.

So much of the land marked AA, and bordered yellow on the plan furnished by the Inspector of Surveys, to be granted to the grantees (subject to the original agreements), as is now the property of the Government, unaffected by any engagements made by the Government with the Natives, and so much of the land affected by those engagements as the Natives are willing to give up for a reasonable money consideration.

The grant to be made by the Government as soon as they can complete a plan sufficient for the Crown grant.

If there be any of the allotments mentioned in either the First or Second Schedule already disposed of by the Government, such allotments to be omitted ; and if there be any adjoining lots not included in those Schedules not disposed of by the Government, those allotments to be added to one or other Schedule, as the case may be.

The Natives of Tauhei, having permission from the Government to occupy the Tauhei reserves, the same shall be granted to the grantees in lieu of the land in exchange, or remission of purchase money, if arrangements can be made to give the Natives other land in exchange, or the said Natives are willing to accept a reasonable money consideration.

Auckland, 27th February, 1875.

FREDK. WHITAKER.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Komakorau, Lots No. 86, 92, 174.

Kirikiriroa, Lots No. 108, 109, 109a, 110, 111, 112, 113, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 124, 125, 114, 122, 123.

FREDK. WHITAKER.