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NATIVE LANDS AND NATIVE-LAND TENURE :

INTERIM REPORT OF NATIVE LAND COMMISSION ON NATIVE LANDS IN THE COUNTIES OF
HOKIANGA AND BAY OF ISLANDS.

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

Native Land Commission, Auckland, 11th May, 1908.

To His Excellency the Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We have the honour to submit for your consideration the following interim report on Native lands in the Counties of Hokianga and Bay of Islands.

There is a large area of land in these counties suitable for settlement, some offered by the Native owners and some we propose to recommend. Owing to the position of some of the titles and of the surveys, we are compelled to withhold our recommendations in respect of some of the blocks until we receive surveyors' reports on the rough scheme of settlement we propose. We are forwarding the rough scheme to the Native Department, and asking that competent surveyors be directed to visit the blocks in question and report to us as soon as possible.

In the meantime we recommend the issue of an Order in Council under section 10 of "The Native Land Settlement Act, 1907," prohibiting private alienation over the lands set forth in the Schedule hereto.

We have the honour to be

Your Excellency's obedient servants,

ROBERT STOUT }
A. T. NGATA } Commissioners.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Block.	Area.	Survey District.	Remarks.
A. HOKIANGA.			
Mangamuka East and subdivisions	A. 8,949 R. 0 P. 0	Maungataniwha.	
Mangamuka West and subdivisions	12,520 0 0	„	
Motukiore and subdivisions ..	2,800 0 0	Mangamuka ..	Messrs. Ramsay and Dive, of Rawene, are reported to have options over the timber.
Te Pukahu	2,880 0 0	„ ..	Title recently determined by Native Appellate Court.

Name of Block.	Area.			Survey District.	Remarks.
A. HOKIANGA—continued.					
	A.	R.	P.		
Punakitere 2 and subdivisions ..	4,716	2	0	Punakitere.	
Paihia No. 1 and subdivisions ..	3,684	0	25	Whangape.	
Utakura 1B No. 2 and subdivisions	2,315	0	30	Mangamuka and Omapere	No. 1B 2A and 1B 2Q are under negotiations for lease.
Utakura 2B and subdivisions ..	2,031	3	8	Mangamuka ..	2B 1A is under negotiation for lease.
Utakura 2D and subdivisions ..	3,092	2	32	„ ..	Note that 2D 9 is under timber lease.
Utakura 2E	30	0	0	„	
Waima North and subdivisions	7,548	0	0	Mangamuka and Omapere	Messrs. Ramsay and Dive are reported to have options over timber rights.
Waima South and subdivisions	7,456	0	0	Waoku.	
Waipoua 2A and subdivisions ..	3,819	0	0	Waipoua.	
Waipoua 2B and subdivisions ..	8,380	2	0	„	
Wairere 2 and subdivisions ..	2,605	2	0	Mangamuka ..	Title recently determined by Native Appellate Court.
Whakarapa	4,565	0	0	Whangape ..	Ditto. Messrs. Ramsay and Dive are reported to have acquired rights over timber.
Waihou (Lower)	5,502	0	0	„ ..	Title recently determined by Native Appellate Court.
Waihou A and B and subdivisions	7,900	0	0	Mangamuka and Omapere.	
	89,795	1	15		
B. BAY OF ISLANDS.					
Kotuku A and B	1,770	0	0	Punakitere ..	Title just ascertained by Native Appellate Court.
Kaikou and subdivisions ..	4,844	0	0	Motatau.	
Maromaku A and B	4,427	0	0	„	
Mohinui	1,908	0	0	Kawakawa, Motatau, and Hukerenui.	
Maungaturoto	1,220	0	0	Omapere.	
Motatau No. 1	18,660	0	0	Motatau ..	Title just ascertained by Native Appellate Court.
„ No. 3	4,900	0	0	Motatau and Kawakawa	Ditto.
„ No. 4	3,300	0	0	Ditto ..	„
Ngawhitu	1,903	0	0	Kawakawa.	
Ngaiotonga 1 and 2	1,422	0	22	Russell.	
Otetao A and B	956	0	0	„	
Parahaki and subdivisions ..	2,852	0	0	Tutamoe and Mangakahia.	
Rawhiti (and subdivisions Maunganui 1 and 2, Hauai, Tangatapu, and lesser subdivisions)	15,200	0	0	Russell and Bay of Islands.	
Tutaematai A and B	2,639	2	0	Russell.	
Taraire 1 and 2	6,355	0	0	Omapere and Punakitere	Title recently ascertained by Native Appellate Court.
Waikokopu and subdivisions ..	1,151	0	0	Russell.	
Whakataha and subdivisions ..	1,412	0	0	Omapere ..	Title recently ascertained by Native Appellate Court.
Whangaruru-Whakaturia and subdivisions	1,340	0	0	Russell ..	Ditto.
Whangaroa-Ngaiotonga	4,404	1	0	„ ..	„
Te Wiroa	1,200	0	0	Omapere ..	„
Total	80,863	3	22		

The areas of most of these blocks are given approximately.

Native Land Commission, Auckland, 15th May, 1908.

To His Excellency the Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Referring to our report of the 11th instant, we desire that the following blocks be added to the list of lands in respect of which we recommended that an Order in Council under section 10 of "The Native Land Settlement Act, 1907," prohibiting private alienation should be issued :—

Name of Block.		Aproximate Area.	Survey District.
Wairoa 3,091 acres	Hokianga.
Manukau 9,280 "	Herekino.

The titles to these blocks have only recently been ascertained. No proper surveys have been made. There is good timber on all of these lands.

We have the honour to be

Your Excellency's obedient servants,

ROBERT STOUT }
A. T. NGATA } Commissioners.

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