

PAPERS RELATIVE TO

Enclosure 3 in No. 28.

Copy of a Letter from W. TAMIHANA TE WAHAROA to the Surveyors.

[TRANSLATION.]

Waihou, 2nd September, 1866.

To the CHIEF of the SURVEYORS on this side of Te Wairoa,—

Stop your surveying, the place of blood is on the other side of Te Wairoa; the place of money is at Katikati. As it is return to the other side of Te Wairoa. Enough.

From your friend,

W. TAMIHANA TE WAHAROA.

Enclosure 4 in No. 28.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. HEWSON to Mr. CLARKE.

SIR,—

Te Papa, 19th September, 1866.

I have to report to you that the Natives having removed my pegs and several times warned me to desist from surveying on the land between the Wairoa and Katikati rivers, and having received a letter purporting to be from William Thompson, to the same effect, four of them came on Monday last, during my absence in Te Papa, and took from my camp a measuring tape, all my fern hooks and other tools; it was with difficulty that my men prevented them from taking the instrument and chain, but they considered it imprudent to offer more resistance than they did. Immediately on hearing of the occurrence I returned to Te Puna and proceeded with one of my men to a Native settlement (where I heard my things had been taken) with a view to their recovery, but found it deserted by all except an old woman, who told me the other Natives had gone about two miles back in the bush. Having proceeded to where they were, I found a number of men assembled, amongst them those who had taken my tools. They refused to give them up, saying they had acted according to William Thompson's orders, and the matters now rested between him and the Governor.

Under these circumstances I would request your advice, with a view to the recovery of my property, in order to carry on my work, as well as with regard to the safety of my doing so in that district, my present inactivity being a serious pecuniary loss.

I have, &c.,

To Mr. Clarke.

F. M. HEWSON.

No. 29.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. MACKAY to Mr. ROLLESTON.

(No. 323.)

Civil Commissioner's Office,

SIR,—

Auckland, 25th September, 1866.

I have the honor to inform you that I was engaged from the 10th August to the 3rd September instant, in completing arrangements with the Thames tribe for the cession of their claims over lands at Tauranga and Katikati.

On the 10th August last the Ngatihura hapu of Ngatipaoa received £100 for their claims over Katikati and Aroha.

On the 14th August the Tawera, of Manaia, received £500 for their claims to lands between Katikati and Waimapu, and extending inland to the watershed range between Tauranga and the Thames. This was thus divided: £150 over the Katikati and Puna Block, and £350 over the block of 50,000 acres given up for the rebellion of the tribe Ngaiterangi.

On the 3rd September Te Moananui received £600 for the claims of himself and Ngaititamatera over the Katikati and Aroha-auta Block. This was divided by him with Taraia and the whole of the tribe.

A sum of £500 was paid to Taraia and the Ngaititumutumu hapu of Ngaitimaru for their claims over the block between the Katikati piece and Te Puna.

The settlement thus made with this portion of the claimants to the lands at Tauranga required for the location of Military Settlers and others, will, I hope, be found to have finally and effectually removed one of the great obstructions to the completion of the long outstanding and troublesome question.

The Ngaiterangi claims have yet to be compensated, and I hope that this will shortly be accomplished. I have received information from Mr. Commissioner Clarke that the survey of the block of 50,000 acres, arranged by Ngaiterangi to be given up for their share in the rebellion, has been interrupted by a small hapu* named the Pirirakau. This tribe were very much inclined to be troublesome when I was last at Tauranga. I would point out that with the exception of some two or three persons they have all been in rebellion, and have not returned to their allegiance to this day. In my opinion it would only be just to confiscate all their lands, reserving about 2,500 acres for their use and occupation. Their lands are principally between Te Puna and the Wairoa, and I would suggest that a portion of these should be given to those friendly Natives who have lost land in the block of 50,000 acres before mentioned.

I have, &c.,

The Under Secretary, Native Department,
Wellington.

JAMES MACKAY,
Civil Commissioner,

No. 30.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. CLARKE to the Hon. J. C. RICHMOND.

(D. 245.)

Civil Commissioner's Office,

SIR,—

Tauranga, 25th September, 1866.

In continuation of my report (date and number quoted in the margin), I have the honor to

* Number, 87; men, women, and children.