

REPORT

BY

MR. ROGAN

AS TO THE WORKING OF

“THE NATIVE LANDS ACT, 1865,”

IN THE DISTRICT OF KAIPARA;

ALSO,

LIST OF BLOCKS OF LAND ADJUDICATED ON BY HIM.

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REPORT BY MR. ROGAN AS TO THE WORKING OF "THE NATIVE LANDS ACT, 1865," IN THE DISTRICT OF KAIPARA.

SIR,—

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith the enclosed Report of Mr. Judge Rogan as to the working of "The Native Lands Act, 1865," in his district; also a list of blocks of land adjudicated on by that gentleman.

The Hon. the Native Minister,
Wellington.

Native Land Court Office,
Auckland, 2nd August, 1867.

I have, &c.,
F. D. FENTON,
Chief Judge.

R E P O R T.

SIR,—

Resident Magistrate's Office,
Kaipara, 29th July, 1867.

In acknowledging the receipt of your circular letter dated 17th June last, No. 518, I beg to state, that owing to my absence at the Wairoa, I did not receive your letter in time to reply to it before attending the Courts recently held by me in the Thames, and it was not in my power while there, to write with any satisfaction to myself, as I was desirous of enclosing a statement showing the amount of work performed since the date of my appointment as Judge under "The Native Lands Act, 1865."

It will be observed from the Schedule I have now the honor to enclose, that my operations have extended chiefly through Kaipara, Whangarei, Mahurangi, and the Thames.

	Acres.
Certificates ordered—Kaipara	128,925
Certificates ordered—Whangarei	64,417
Certificates ordered—Mahurangi	6,635
Certificates ordered—Hauraki	17,737
	217,714

Several extensive blocks of land in Whangarei, not included in the above, have passed the Court last held there, but the surveys are not yet properly executed.

Before the Act of 1865 had passed the Assembly, you did me the honor to forward a draft for perusal, with a request that I might suggest any alterations or improvements which might occur to me at the time; and as it then appeared to me that it contained every point necessary to carry out the intentions of the Act satisfactorily to the Natives of this district of country, who are deeply interested, I had no suggestion to offer. Now that my experience has extended over a considerable period of time, and I am better acquainted with its practical working, I do not hesitate to say that it has effectually met all the cases with which I have had to deal, and it is in my opinion complete in itself.

It is with much pleasure I have to state that the effects of the Native Lands Act on the welfare of the population of Kaipara, both Native and European, is better than I anticipated. For instance, three years ago the country was almost a wilderness; now the Natives are in receipt of half-yearly payments from settlers who have leased their lands for periods of sixteen and twenty-one years, and are busily occupied in stocking their runs with sheep and cattle; and a feature which never before was shown in Kaipara now begins to develop itself, namely, that fat cattle are being forwarded to the Auckland market. The Natives were never in such a position before, and I am glad to say they have as a rule sufficient sense to appreciate it. Pairama has an estate for which he receives £300 per annum. Arama Karaka, Manukau, and other chiefs, are leasing extensive runs to Europeans, who are in a position to carry out their agreements; and after the next sitting of the Court shall have been held, a large proportion of the lands in central Kaipara will be taken up and stocked.

It was my intention to have made a comparative statement of the value of the property, stated in the Schedule above referred to, before the Lands Act came into effect, and the value at the present time, which I believe would show better the real state of improvement than anything I could write on the subject; but I am unable to supply this information at the present time. I cannot say that the effects of the Native Lands Act have acted as a stimulus to the Natives of Kaipara in improving their cultivations.

There are four chiefs belonging to the district who farm to a certain extent on European principles—Tirarau, Tomairangi, and Pairama, are the principal persons who have horses and ploughs.

European farming was first introduced into Kaipara by yourself years ago, by presenting Pairama with a plough; afterwards the Government, through Mr. McLean, gave ploughs to Tomairangi and Manukau, long before the Native Lands Act was passed. Te Hemara of Mahurangi has improved his property recently by fencing, and building a neat house with verandah and brick chimney, which may be said to have resulted from the sale of some of his land after certificates were obtained. Several weather-boarded houses have recently been erected by the Natives in Kaipara, and by my advice they are about to cause brick chimneys to be built. There is a marked improvement in the

mode of living adopted by the chiefs. European articles of furniture are found in the houses about Otamatea; and I have frequently been astonished to see, at Paikia's and Arama Karaka's settlements, all the principal people living, while I have been there, quite in accordance with the manners of Europeans.

With regard to "The Native Lands Act, 1866," I have to state that it caused the Natives some excitement at the time it became generally known that further restrictions and expenses would be added in future on all lands passing through the Court. It gave me considerable trouble to allay these fears, and they appear to think of them up to the present time. They are still under an impression that the Government had in view, in passing restrictive measures on the free disposal of their lands, the object of preventing sales to private individuals, in order that the Government might hereafter buy at their own prices; and the Kaipara people were rather confirmed in this idea because the Provincial Government of Auckland at that time commenced extensive negotiations for the purchase of land in the district of Whangarei.

As the clause in the Act of 1866 regarding the inalienation of Native reserves has not application in this part of the Colony, and as I have made no alteration in the fees taken in Court from the commencement, I have succeeded in showing they were not hurt by this Act. They are content; but I recollect Keene at the time had effectually stopped the further operation of the Act by inducing the chiefs not to sell any more land to Government, if restrictive or further charges were imposed.

I am not prepared to say that it may not be necessary to stop the sale of certain reserves in Taranaki, Whanganui, Wellington, and Wairarapa, but my knowledge of the three latter places is very limited. I feel, however, persuaded that such measures will not be necessitated in the district of Kaipara.

I have, &c.,
JOHN ROGAN,
Judge Native Land Court.

P.S.—"The Native Lands Act, 1865," has been translated into the Maori language, and distributed.

The Act of 1866 has only come to the knowledge of the Natives by hearsay; at least I have not seen a translation. The Native Assessors are called upon to assist in adjudicating under an Act written in a foreign language, which is and must be prejudicial to the satisfactory business of the Court until this is rectified.

J. ROGAN.

LIST of BLOCKS of LAND adjudicated upon by JOHN ROGAN, Esq., Judge Native Land Court.

Kaipara.

Name of Block.						Certificate or otherwise Ordered.	Area.		
							A.	R.	P.
Pukeatua	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	1,754	0	0
Waitangi	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	4,039	0	0
Waipiro	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	1,739	0	0
Mairetahi	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	350	0	0
Paparoa	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	4,540	0	0
Waikahikatea	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	1,740	0	0
Te Tokauri	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	561	0	0
Puketotara	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	8,607	0	0
Tikokopu	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	4,015	0	0
Uniwahao	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	2,500	0	0
Porinui No. 1	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	1	0	36
Do. No. 2	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	1	0	0
Ngatipahari No. 2	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	5	0	20
Kiki Kiki	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	0	1	15
Wai o Mu	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	2	0	1
Waihorokai	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	2	3	7
Mangatawhiri West	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	5,397	0	0
Oahau	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	113	0	0
Patatotara	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	53	0	0
Aotea	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Pukeparanga	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Tuhirangi	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Kukutangio	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Oweturu	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Omokoiti	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Rahurahu	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	20	0	0
Mangakahia	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	367	0	0
Hoanga	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	685	0	0
Mangatawhiri East	...	...	...	...	...	Interlocutory Order	...		
Tuhimati	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Owhatua	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	205	0	0
Te Kauau	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Aratapu	...	...	...	...	}	Settled out of Court	...		
Kopuru	...	...	...	...			...		

OF THE NATIVE LANDS ACT, 1865.

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Name of Block.	Certificate or otherwise Ordered.	Area.		
		A.	R.	P.
Paraheke	Certificate	1090	0	0
Puatake	Do.	823	0	0
Te Whenuahou	Do.	2	1	2
Kukutangeo	Adjourned	...		
Maungaru	Certificate	21,319	0	0
Rangiora	Do.	233	0	0
Hurukore	Do.	30	0	0
Kohekohe	Do.	10	0	0
Kumi	Do.	112	0	0
Otarawa	Dismissed	...		
Omaru	Do.	...		
Rautawhiri	Certificate	95	0	0
Makiri	Do.	563	0	0
Taupaki	Do.	12,868	0	0
Puatahi No. 2	Adjourned	...		
Unahirere	Certificate	182	0	0
Kaitara No. 1	Do.	2,353	0	0
Do. No. 2	Do.	5,800	0	0
Opuripuri	Do.	242	0	0
Pirihi Kiriki	Adjourned	...		
Waima	Certificate	610	0	0
Ihu Mapuna	Do.	106	0	0
Awaroa	Adjourned	...		
Maikuku	Do.	...		
Waikoukou No. 1	Certificate	256	0	0
Do. No. 2	Do.	2,996	0	0
Waioparawhakahaou	Dismissed	...		
Puhekorari	Certificate	188	0	0
Rakauwatea	Do.	413	0	0
Rautawhiri No. 2	Do.	355	0	0
Do. No. 3	Do.	...		
Hautapu	Do.	147	0	0
Kaihu	Withdrawn	...		
Hoteo	Certificate	41,400	0	0
Pupuke	Do.	50	0	0
Hatoi	Do.	...		
Total number of Acres for which Certificates have been granted at Courts held at Kaipara		128,935	3	1

LIST of BLOCKS of LAND investigated by JOHN ROGAN, Esq., Judge Native Land Court.

Whangarei Courts.

Name of Block.	Whether Certificate or Interlocutory Order granted.	Area.		
		A.	R.	P.
Matakohe	Certificate	93	0	0
Motu o Tawa	Do.	2	1	11
Motu Kiwi	Do.	11	2	0
Tokitaruna	Do.	416	0	0
Okara	Do.	66	0	0
Wharowharo	Do.	118	0	0
Otuhi	Adjourned	...		
Waharau	Do.	...		
Koari	Certificate	35	0	0
Wharauoa	Included in Otongo	...		
Turiapua	Certificate	100	0	0
Tunahia	Do.	...		
Papakuri	Do.	3,167	0	0
Te Roro	Do.	88	0	0
Okotinga	Adjourned	...		
Puketaka	Do.	...		
Mangawhati and Te Wita... ..	Certificate	944	0	0
Kopipi	Do.	260	0	0
Turaki Awatea	Do.	175	0	0

Name of Block.					Whether Certificate or Interlocutory Order granted.	Area.		
						A.	R.	P.
Taranga	...	...	...	...	Interlocutory Order	...		
Kopunia Ngaho	...	...	...	...	Certificate	257	0	0
Otanga	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Keri Keri Toke	...	...	...	...	Interlocutory Order for Otonga	...		
Takapoutangata	...	...	...	...		...		
Mangemaugenui	...	...	...	...		...		
Pokapu	...	...	...	...		...		
Pukekauri	...	...	...	...		...		
Waikauere	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Pukekaikutu	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Hihiana	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Taikawiwi	...	...	...	...	Certificate	7	2	0
Te Tawa, included in Tokitaruna	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Whakatete do.	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Te Toitoi	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Tauranga	...	...	...	...	Certificate	197	0	0
Waiorehua	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Parahoki No. 1	...	...	...	...	Certificate	26	0	0
Waikaraka	...	...	...	...	Do.	75	0	0
Tararau	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Pikopiko	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Tupotoki	...	...	...	...	Included in Whawhau	...		
Opanaki	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Te Rewharewha	...	...	...	...	Certificate	284	0	0
Rua Te Tarewha	...	...	...	...	Ordered to be filed	...		
Kopua Waiwaha	...	...	...	...	Certificate	1,588	0	0
Kawakawa	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Ngatahuna	...	...	...	...	Certificate	...		
Te Hue	...	...	...	...	Included in Otongo	...		
Okotinga	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Puketaka	...	...	...	...	Certificate	140	0	0
Whiti Nga Marama	...	...	...	...	Do.	56	0	0
Parakau	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Otarawa	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Wai Iti	...	...	...	...	...	71	0	30
Wharauoa	...	...	...	...	Certificate	37	0	0
Kiri Kiri No. 3	...	...	...	...	Do.	4	0	0
Waimahanga	...	...	...	...	Adjourned to Otamata	...		
Rahuikuri	...	...	...	...	Certificate	138	0	0
Motupounamu	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Te Tia Whenua	...	...	...	...	Certificate	33	0	0
Waiohanga	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Kotaiha	...	...	...	...	Certificate	85	0	0
Pehiawera	...	...	...	...	Do.	289	0	0
Puketotara	...	...	...	...	Do.	80	0	0
Pahurahurahu	...	...	...	...	No appearance	...		
Keri Kiri No. 2	...	...	...	...	Certificate	1	0	0
Keri Kiri No. 1	...	...	...	...	Do.	1	2	5
Keri Kiri No. 4	...	...	...	...	Do.	4	0	0
Kahuwera	...	...	...	...	Do.	124	0	0
Taranga	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Moroiti	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Pariritahi	...	...	...	...	Certificate	131	0	0
Waitanga	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Tupua	...	...	...	...	Do.	157	0	0
Whaungauru	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Rapati Taikawhiwhi	...	...	...	...	Certificate	100	0	0
Opao Wharau	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Waitaiki	...	...	...	...	Certificate	115	0	0
Kahuitieki	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Tongomaru	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Wharekiri	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Opao	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Kiri Kiri No. 5	...	...	...	...	Certificate	17	0	0
Reretihia	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Kiri Kiri No. 6A	...	...	...	...	Certificate	0	1	17
Kiri Kiri No. 6	...	...	...	...	Do.	4	0	0
Wharowharo No. 2	...	...	...	...	Do.	43	0	0
Pukenui	...	...	...	...	Do.	1,195	0	0

Name of Block.					Whether Certificate or Interlocutory Order granted.	Area.		
						A.	R.	P.
Kaitara	...	...	...	...	Certificate not to be issued	...		
Rawhitiroa	...	...	...	...	Certificate	349	0	0
Rukuai	...	...	...	...	Do.	590	0	0
Parua	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	835	0	0
Omerongo	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Matapouri	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Tokirikiri	...	...	...	...	Certificate	765	0	0
Parahaki No. 2	...	...	...	...	Do.	10	0	0
Toutouwai	...	...	...	...	Do.	47	0	0
Whau Whau Pounamu	...	...	...	...	Do.	49	0	0
Kopenui	...	...	...	...	Do.	95	0	0
Kopipi	...	...	...	...	Do.	260	0	0
Wairua and Whananaki	...	...	...	...	Included in Opuawhanga	...		
Nukutawhiti	...	...	...	...	Certificate	12,168	0	0
Te Karaka	...	...	...	...	Do.	11,710	0	0
Opuawhanga	...	...	...	...	Do.	10,534	0	0
Rakiwai	...	...	...	...	Do.	40	0	0
Parahaki No. 3	...	...	...	...	Do.	164	0	0
Opuawhanga No. 1	...	...	...	...	Interlocutory Order	12,000	0	0
Do. No. 2	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Do. No. 3	...	...	...	...	Do.	2,738	0	0
Toutouwai No. 1	...	...	...	...	Certificate	236	0	0
Nga Tahuna	...	...	...	...	Do.	882	0	0
Otongo No. 2	...	...	...	...	Interlocutory Order	...		
Pipi Wharauoa	...	...	...	...	Certificate	109	0	0
Total number of Acres for which Certificates have been ordered at Whan-garei Courts					...	64,417	1	23

LIST of BLOCKS of LAND adjudicated upon by JOHN ROGAN, Esq., Judge Native Land Court.

Mahurangi Court.

Name of Block.					Whether Certificate or otherwise.	Area.		
						A.	R.	P.
Noke Noke and Tarawa	...	...	...	...	Certificate	130	0	0
Te Pukapuka	...	...	...	...	Do.	361	0	0
Puhoi	...	...	...	...	Do.	2,351	0	0
Maungatauhora	...	...	...	...	Do.	70	0	0
Opahi	...	...	...	...	Do.	123	0	0
Opaheki	...	...	...	...	Do.	19	2	0
Okahu	...	...	...	...	Do.	2,408	0	0
Huawai	...	...	...	...	Do.	729	0	0
Korotangi	...	...	...	...	Do.	17	0	0
Okokaraka	...	...	...	...	Do.	8	0	0
Te Akeake	...	...	...	...	Do.	9	0	0
Tungutu	...	...	...	...	Do.	410	0	0
Total number of Acres for which Certificates have been ordered at Mahurangi						6,635	2	0

LIST of BLOCKS of LAND adjudicated upon by JOHN ROGAN, Esq., Judge Native Land Court.

Hauraki.

Name of Block.					Certificate or otherwise.	Area.		
						A.	R.	P.
Te Mata	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Whakanewha	...	...	...	...	Certificate	1,510	0	0
Pukepuke	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Whakarite	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Rere	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Maunganui	...	...	...	...	Certificate	...		
Mahitai	...	...	...	...	Do.	11,822	2	12

Name of Block.						Certificate or otherwise.	Area.		
							A.	R.	P.
Kawakawa	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Paripari	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	16	2	0
Te Kare	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Wairotoroto	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Urangahauhau	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,434	0	0
Hoporata	...	...	...	...	...	...	447	0	0
Makomako	...	...	...	...	...	Withdrawn	...		
Waito No. 1 and 2	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Kapanga No. 1	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	0	1	5
Parangu	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	1	3	20
Kapanga No. 5	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	4	2	2
Do. No. 3	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	0	1	26
Nga Huwha	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	3	0	14
Kapara	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Hikutawtawā	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	1,210	0	0
Harataunga	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Kutia	...	...	...	...	...	...	21	0	0
Opitonui	...	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Repanga	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Papaaroa	...	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Tohetea	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Tarapatiki	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	125	0	0
Tangiaro	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Moehau	...	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Oahuru	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Huatawa	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Hikowhakarere	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Motukauri	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Kapanga No. 2	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	1	2	11
Do. No. 4	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	0	3	0
Parangu No. 5	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	75	1	9
Do. No. 6	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	6	0	0
Piako	...	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Pahi	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Paeroa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Waikoata	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Kakahora	...	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Te Rata	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Mataura	...	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Te Kapara	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Hauhaupounamu	...	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Hangawera	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Pepe	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	...		
Pawhakaoho	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Te Manuka	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Te Pikou	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Te Mahoe	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	...		
Pirimakaka	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Te Kare	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	30	0	0
Te Aratau	...	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Waipuroro	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Kakaru	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Motungaio	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Oruarangihaerere	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	...		
Okere	...	...	...	...	...	Interlocutory Order	28	0	0
Mangemangeroa	...	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Hotungaio	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Arawhakapukapuka	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Bangiora	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	...		
Te Mata	...	...	...	...	...	Dismissed	...		
Te Matau	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Hui Karetu	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Otawtu	...	...	...	...	...	Certificate	...		
Taumatakoikoi	...	...	...	...	...	Do.	...		
Tangiaro	...	...	...	...	...	Adjourned	...		
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	17,737	3	19