

7TH NOVEMBER.

Parakaia te Pouepa, on behalf of Ngatiraukawa claimants, addressed the Court. In his address he stated that he, on behalf of the claimants on his side, renounced their claim to Pukekura and Maungatautari in favour of the resident claimants, but not so on Puahoe; that he wished the investigation of Puahoe should be closed, as some of the owners were King Natives, and he wished to ascertain their opinion towards Ngatiraukawa.

Te Raihi also addressed the Court on behalf of Ngatihaua.

The Court stated that judgment on these cases would be given when the Court had had time to consider the evidence.

12TH NOVEMBER, 1868.

Letter was read which had been received containing the names of those persons which the owners wished to be put in the Crown Grant.

It was asked by the Court if any of the persons who had been declared as owners by the Court had any objection to make.

Aterea Motutara said he objected, inasmuch as he wished his name inserted in the grant.

It was stated by the other owners that they did not wish *Aterea's* name in the grant.

It was told *Aterea* that his objection would be recorded, but still the Court would order that the persons' names which were named in the letter should be put into the grant.

R. E. M. Campbell, sworn—I made this survey by instructions from Capt. Wilson, and with the consent of the Natives interested in the claim; I have no lien; I met with no opposition; the boundaries are: on the east the Pukekura block, on the south by surveyed lines to Mangaohoe River, then down that river to confiscated line, then by that line to the point of commencement.

Enclosure D.

PROCEEDINGS OF JUDICIAL ENQUIRY BEFORE W. N. SEARANCEKE, ESQ., R.M., CORONER.

At a judicial inquiry, held at Cambridge on Thursday, the 5th day of June, 1873, to inquire into the death and cause of death of one Timothy Sullivan, the following witnesses were examined on oath:—

James Mackay, jun., sworn—I am Agent for General Government, at present residing at Cambridge; the map now produced and handed into Court was made by me to show the places pointed out to me by David Jones, Richard Parker, and Charles Collins; this map was constructed from Trig. survey made by myself.

Benjamin F. J. Edwards, sworn as interpreter.

Parakaia, of Ngatihaua, sworn—I live at Maungatautari, and belong to the Ngatihaua tribe; I remember leaving Cambridge on the 23rd April, to look after my horse; I went to Pukekura, and—on the other, the southern side of Pukekura—when I arrived there I was seized by Purukutu, by Hori Te Tumu, and Herewini Ngamuku; they came to kill people; I believe Purukutu had a bayonet and a gun, and Hori and Herewini were armed with guns only; they all had cartridge boxes also; when I was seized they said I was to go to the Koukou settlement; we went to the Koukou, and arrived there about mid-day; we found Paia Tuhua, Hohepa Motuiti, Whira Tarawhati, Whina Hone, Whiti Paekauri, Paiata Te Ahuru, Ke Kewi, Potururu; these are all who were at Te Koukou; when I arrived there they were all armed with guns and cartridge boxes; they said nothing; they all went and conducted me to Nga Hokowhitu; I was put into a house; Paekauri (Hone Whaiti), Parata Te Ahuru, and Tewi Potururu; I am sure and positive that Tewi Potururu was there, and remained to guard me, the others all left; I remained and was kept in the house all night, and all next day, and the next night (i.e., the night of the 23rd April, all day and night of the 24th April); the morning of the 25th they all seven returned, and I heard a woman call out, “kua patua” (slaying has taken place;”) they said nothing to me but “go: return;” the woman who called out “kua patua” is the wife of Whira Tarawhati—Ko Nga Haukiha is her name; I came to Maungatautari, thence to Cambridge; I told Mr. Owen on my arrival; this is all I know of the matter.

David Jones, sworn—I am a stockman, residing with Mr. Walker at Moanatuatua; I was in Mr. Walker's employ on the 24th April last; I was employed on that day fascining a swamp; I went with Mr. Mackay and others on the 28th of April last, and pointed out the several places connected with Sullivan's murder; I recollect Mr. Mackay taking compass bearings to those places pointed out; the black line between A and B shows the position of the fascines that I was engaged in laying; about half-past eleven o'clock a.m. my dog barked, and I saw a Native look over the hill, at position marked B; I was then at A (point); when he saw me looking at him he drew back, and the next thing I saw was four Natives coming down the hill towards us; my companions were Timothy Sullivan and Charles Rodgers; they (the Natives) were all armed with guns; I told my companions that the Natives were on us, and the best thing we could do was to run for it; we then ran in the direction of red dotted line on plan; we ran to point marked C on the plan, when Sullivan said that he was done and could go no further—“good-bye: take care of yourselves;” at this time the four Natives were chasing us; I went on, Rodgers following me; he caught up to me when we were at point marked D on plan; I heard a shot fired, I turned round but did not see any Natives; we then ran on, and shortly after I again saw a Native—he was continuing in chase; just after I heard the shot fired the Native who was leading called out something, and two Natives crossed the swamp in the direction of the confiscated boundary; we continued on to the point marked F on plan aforementioned, the Native being then at point marked E on plan; fired at us and called out to the others to give up the chase; to me he said—

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