

LIST OF COMPLETED PURCHASES IN THE MANAWATU-KUKUTAUAKI DISTRICT, with remarks thereon.

No.	District.	Name of Block.	Area.	Purchase Money.	Date of Purchase.	Title.	Remarks.
1	Waikanae	Maunganui	19,600	£ 800 0 0	Jan. 14, 1874	Certificate	The blocks here bracketed form one continuous block, containing 55,000 acres, more or less, extending from Waikanae to north of the Otaki River. It is composed of about one-third undulating light bush land, with considerable patches of forest timber—totara, rimu, matai, &c. The rest of the land is hilly; will be available for pastoral purposes when cleared. The eastern portion contains part of the Tararua range; the western portion of the block is easy of access by a proposed line of road laid off by late Provincial Government, and there are easy grades thence to beyond the first range of hills to the eastward. The soil on the flat and undulating ground is of good quality, and the whole block would seem to be suitable for special settlement. The distance by proposed line of road, from the Otaki River to the railway junction at the Upper Hut, is about 25 or 30 miles. I would strongly advise construction of proposed line of road before this land is put into the market. The General Government surveyor is now engaged cutting the boundary lines of the blocks above-mentioned on the westward side, and I would propose that, as the boundaries to the south, east, and north, can be accurately fixed by trigonometrical survey from stations already erected, when survey is completed one certificate should be obtained for the whole, as above described.
2	"	Muaupoko	1,000	0 0 0	June 3, 1875	"	
3	"	Ngawhakangutu No. 2	4,335	700 0 0	Feb. 9, 1876	N. L. C.	
4	"	Ngakaroro No. 2A	1,933	257 10 0	April 18, 1876	Interlocutory	
5	"	" No. 2B	1,933	257 10 0	Jan. 7, 1876	"	
6	"	" No. 2C	1,933	257 10 0	Feb. 4, 1876	"	
7	"	" No. 2D	1,933	257 10 0	May 27, 1875	"	
8	"	" No. 2E	1,933	257 10 0	Dec. 15, 1874	"	
9	"	" No. 1B	6,075	630 0 0	Feb. 8, 1876	"	
10	Otaki	Wararapa	3,788	516 10 0	Dec. 3, 1874	"	
11	"	"	1,050	262 10 0	Feb. 6, 1877	"	
12	"	Waihoanga No. 4	9,370	1,457 10 0	Dec. 3, 1874	"	
13	"	" No. 4	200	50 0 0	Feb. 7, 1877	"	
14	"	" No. 2A	880	220 0 0	Jan. 31, 1875	"	This block of 2,290 acres is a long strip, embracing level land on western boundary, and extending to the Tararua range on the east; there is a narrow strip dividing this block from the one above described. I hope to be able very shortly to complete the purchase, and also of another strip to the northward, which now separates us from other completed purchases. The description of country corresponds with the block above already described.
15	"	" No. 2B	1,410	105 15 0	Nov. 22, 1875	"	
16	"	" No. 3D	1,503	128 0 0	Feb. 11, 1876	"	
17	"	Pukehou No. 5E	1,000	90 0 0	June 12, 1875	"	
18	"	" No. 5D	1,000	87 10 0	May 28, 1875	"	
19	"	" No. 5C	2,422	200 0 0	Feb. 11, 1876	"	
20	"	" No. 5B	2,422	220 0 0	Feb. 16, 1876	"	
21	"	" No. 3	1,685	200 0 0	Feb. 4, 1875	"	
22	"	" No. 2	1,685	200 0 0	Feb. 4, 1875	"	
23	"	" No. 1	1,685	200 0 0	Feb. 4, 1875	"	
24	"	Manawatu-Kukutaauaki No. 4A	4,420	550 0 0	Feb. 3, 1875	"	
25	"	" No. 4G	2,355	421 17 6	Feb. 3, 1875	"	
26	"	" No. 4B	561	400 0 0	June 2, 1875	"	The western portion of this block of 21,000 acres, more or less, contains some of the finest land in the district; it is easy of access, and well adapted for settlement; it is lightly timbered, and will grow anything. The eastern portion corresponds with the block above described. There are two blocks between this and the Muhunua purchased land, on one of which Government has a lien. Some of claimants are absent at Waikato and Tauranga, consequently we have not been able to complete purchase. The other block cannot be bought just now, but will come in by-and-by, if required.
27	"	" No. 4C	2,800	398 17 6	Feb. 8, 1875	"	
28	"	" No. 4D	2,813	420 0 0	June 8, 1875	"	
29	"	" No. 4E	2,900	420 0 0	June 8, 1875	"	
30	"	Muhunua No. 3	460	140 0 0	Aug. 4, 1875	"	
31	"	" No. 4	3,500	472 10 0	Feb. 9, 1875	"	
32	Manawatu	Manawatu-Kukutaauaki No. 7C	742	278 0 0	May 13, 1876	"	
33	"	" No. 7B	742	278 0 0	May 12, 1876	"	
34	"	" No. 7A	742	278 0 0	May 12, 1876	"	
35	"	" No. 3	7,550	876 17 6	Nov. 19, 1875	"	
36	"	" No. 2F	1,200	300 0 0	May 2, 1876	"	
37	"	Takapu No. 2	276	103 10 0	Feb. 9, 1876	"	
38	"	Totara No. 3	355	355 0 0	Aug. 2, 1876	"	

This block of 4,000 acres, or thereabouts, extends from the Muhunua Native settlement to the Tararua range. The western portion—say, one third, of the land is very good, and covered with useful timber—totara, &c.; the rest is mountainous, but when cleared will make sheep country. This block of 9,700 acres is all of good quality; western portion easy of access, and well adapted for settlement; the rest is hilly, well adapted for pastoral purposes when cleared. It adjoins the Manawatu-Kukutaauaki Nos. 2E, &c., purchases of which we hope to complete in September next.

Level land; part covered with bush, part swamp, drainable; has a frontage to Manawatu River. Level land; contains some good timber; situated near Manawatu River.

This land is of good quality, mostly under grass; of easy access.