No. 205.

(Telegram.)
Government Buildings, Wellington, 8th June, 1880.
S. P. Smith, Esq., Chief Surveyor, Auckland.—Following is copy of telegram received by Native Minister: "Survey of Tokoroa Block finished by Cussen and Association. Plan ready for Court. Only awaits your formal approval of its being handed into Court. Kindly instruct Mr. Percy Smith accordingly. Matter urgent, as Court may reach block to-morrow.—J. Sheehan." Mr. Bryce has replied: "If Mr. Smith is satisfied with the plan, it can be approved." Will you please act in the matter?—RICHD. JOHN GILL.

No. 206.

Ngaruawahia, 7th June, 1880. THE HON. THE NATIVE MINISTER, Wellington.—If not already done, please answer my wire re Tokoroa plan-to Auckland-this evening.-J. Sheehan.

No. 207.

Auckland, 8th June, 1880. (Telegram.) THE HON. THE NATIVE MINISTER, Wellington.—Anxiously waiting reply my telegram Tokoroa plan and survey. Everything ready, waiting your approval. Wire to self or Smith will be sufficient. J.

No. 208.

Government Buildings, Wellington, 8th June, 1880. John Sheehan, Esq., M.H.R., Cambridge.—No. 527.—Re yours on survey of Tokoroa, Native Minister has minuted paper: "If Mr. Smith is satisfied with the plan, it can be approved." Have wired Mr. Smith on the matter.—RICHD. JOHN GILL.

No. 209.

Cambridge, 26th June, 1880. (Telegram.) UNDER-SECRETARY, Native Department, Wellington.—In all probability the great Whaiti or Patetere Block, of about 140,000 acres, will come before the Land Court on Monday. I do not know whether the Natives intend to sell all or only a portion of it; but it will be necessary to make large reserves for them. Would suggest also that Government reserves, say, two square miles about Tapapa as a site for a future town. I do not think that the block will go through at this sitting of the Court, but it will be advanced sufficiently to permit the different hapus to survey their internal boundaries. - W. G. MAIR.

> No. 210. (TRANSLATION.)

Cambridge, 29th June, 1880. Hon. Mr. Bryce, Native Minister, Wellington.—Are the Europeans acting under your instructions who are purchasing our lands which were proclaimed by the Government in the Patetere District, and retaining a portion of the purchase-money? They say that they are retaining part of our money for the Government.—MIKAIERE TE PAPA.

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