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discontinued till after the meeting at Te Waotu on these questions: then the course to be pursued can be settled. 2nd. They spoke to me about the proposed road to Te Kaharoa, as they are dark on account of the word of the Government that the road is to be three chains wide. They also stated that the meeting at Te Waotu had not yet concluded. They likewise complained that the money as payment for the road was too little. All these matters have been placed in my hands. Now, my friend Major Mair, let those Europeans be sent back. Do not allow them to continue surveying in the Patetere District, lest it should cause trouble. Let that and other proceedings stand over till after the discussion at Te Waotu; and then the steps to be taken in all these matters can be decided upon. But let this be given effect to now: let Creagh be ordered back. Reply to-morrow. I am here.—From your loving friend, Hare Heimana.

The tribe is waiting for me, to hear about this matter.

No. 119. (Translation.)

(Telegram). 5th March, 1880. The Hon. John Bryce.—The Ngatitukarehe hapu of Ngatiraukawa request me to ask you to send back Mr. Creagh, the surveyor who is surveying at Patetere. They (Ngatitukarehe) are much troubled at his doings. Will you instruct Mr. Creagh to discontinue his work at Patetere, lest there be trouble. I am waiting for a reply.—Hare Heimana.

No. 120.

(Translation.)

Hianga, 7th March, 1880. Hon. Mr. Bryce, Native Minister.—Friend, this is an intimation of ours to you that we do not approve of the survey Mr. Creagh is making of our lands. It is being made with intent to defraud us, and we object to it. If you receive this, reply. Ended.—From your loving friend, Te Awanui.

No. 121.

(Telegram.)

Napier, 6th March, 1880.

Percy Smith, Esq., Chief Surveyor, Auckland.—A telegram has been received by the Hon. the Native Minister to the effect that Mr. Creagh is surveying in Patetere, and I am instructed to ask if you know anything of the alleged survey. Please reply here.—T. W. Lewis, Under-Secretary.

No. 122.

(Telegram.)

Auckland, 8th March, 1880.

T. W. Lewis, Esq, Under-Secretary, Native Office, Napier.—No surveys are going on at Patetere until Hon. Native Minister gives permission. I heard the same rumours some time ago, and immediately sent off a special messenger, but found that the surveyor was not near the place, but that the Natives themselves are cutting the tribal boundary between Rotorua and Patetere—hence the rumour.

—S. Percy Smith.

No. 123.

(TRANSLATION.)

Tapapa, 9th March, 1880. Hon. Mr. Bryce, Native Minister.—Friend, greeting. This is an appeal of mine to you to stop Creagh's survey, which he is now proceeding with in the Patetere District. The Ngatiraukawa have received your letter stating that the survey of Patetere would be stopped; but Creagh is continuing his survey notwithstanding your letter. It is the surveys which prevent us from dealing with our road. If that European stops surveying we shall be at liberty to deal with our road; but if the survey is not stopped there will be a breach of the peace at Patetere. Ended.—From Hoera te Mahirahi and others.

No. 124.

(Telegram.)

Auckland, 10th March, 1880.

Under-Secretary, Native Department, Wellington.—Patetere Natives requested that Mr. Creagh be ordered to stop his survey, as they have not completed their arrangements about their lands. I am also informed that the Ngatitukorehe, through whose land the proposed Rotorua Road runs, say that they will not consent to the road question being gone into while Creagh is allowed to go on with his surveying; that the meeting Tapapa, called for the 18th instant to arrange terms about the road, will fall through unless the survey is stopped at once.—W. G. Mair.

No. 125.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 10th March, 1880.

Hon. John Bryce, Native Minister, Wanganui.—No. 192.—I repeat following telegram, just received from Major Mair: "Auckland, 10th March, 1880.—Patetere Natives requested that Mr. Creagh be ordered to stop his survey, as they have not completed their arrangements about their lands. I am also informed that the Ngatitukorehe, through whose land the proposed Rotorua Road runs, say that they will not consent to the road question being gone into while Creagh is allowed to go on with his surveying; that the meeting Tapapa, called for the 18th instant to arrange terms about the road, will fall through unless the survey is stopped at once.—W. G. Mair."—W. J. Morpeth, C.C.

No. 126

(Telegram.) Wanganui, 11th March, 1880. W. J. Молретн, Esq., Native Office, Wellington. — No. 92.—Hon. Native Minister directs me to state, in reply to your telegram of to-day, that he has already telegraphed to the Chief Surveyor, Mr.