

Claim B. 26th October, 1866.

WE have agreed with Mr. W. Atkinson, Crown Agent, to accept certain land as compensation for and to abandon all our claims over the land between Waiweranui and Te Hoe, and we ask the Court to refrain from giving judgment on these claims, as Mr. Atkinson has explained the number of acres each one is to get as compensation, and we fully agree to accept his terms.—Signed by KOMENE TUPOKI and 17 others.

Claim C; Ngatiruanui Coast. Oketopa 26, 1866.

KUA whakaee matou me te tangata i whakaritea mo te taha ki te Kawanatanga (a Wiremu Atkinson) kia tukua mai he whenua mo to matou paanga ki te Hoe tae atu ki Omaturangi, hei whakakore i to matou tikanga ki runga ki taua wahi katoa. A ka tono nei matou ki te Kooti kia kua e puta tana kupu mo taua pihi whenua mo Te Hoe tae atu ki Omaturangi. Kua whakaee rawa matou ki te tikanga kua whakaaturia mai ki a matou e Wiremu Atkinson. Kua oti te whakarite mo tera tangata i nga eka o te whenua mo matou.—Signed by ROPATA NGARONGOMATE and 76 others. Witnesses: Tahana and Karira.

Claim C. October 26, 1866.

WE have agreed with the Crown Agent, Mr. W. Atkinson, to accept certain land to abandon, and as compensation for, all our claims over the land between Te Hoe and Omaturangi; and we request the Court to refrain from going into the claims to that land, as Mr. Atkinson has explained the number of acres each one will get as compensation, and we fully accept his terms.—Signed by ROPATA NGARONGOMATE and 76 others.

Claim D; Ngatiruanui Coast. Oketopa 26, 1866.

KUA whakaee matou me te tangata i whakaritea mo te taha ki te Kawanatanga (a Wiremu Atkinson) kia tukua mai he whenua mo to matou paanga ki Omaturangi tae atu ki Kaupukunui, hei whakakore i to matou tikanga ki runga ki taua wahi katoa. A ka tono nei matou ki te Kooti kia kua e puta tana kupu mo tenei pihi whenua mo Omaturangi tae atu ki Kaupukunui. Kua whakaee rawa matou ki te tikanga kua whakaaturia mai ki a matou e Wiremu Atkinson. Kua oti te whakarite mo tera tangata i nga eka o te whenua mo matou.—Signed by TE ROPHA HAUNGENCE and 7 others. Witnessed by Tahana and Ropata Ngarongomate.

Claim D. October 26, 1866.

WE have agreed to accept certain land from Mr. W. Atkinson, Crown Agent, to abandon, and as compensation for, all our claims over the lands between Omaturangi and Kaupukunui; and we request the Court to refrain from going into the claims to that land, as Mr. Atkinson has explained the number of acres each one of us will get, and we fully accept the terms.—Signed by ROPHA HAUNGENCE and 7 others.

No. 2.—CORRESPONDENCE respecting PROMISES made to HONE PIHAMA.

1.—The Hon. the NATIVE MINISTER to Mr. PARRIS. 5th November, 1868.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter (number and date as per margin), enclosing the copy of a letter from Hone Pihama respecting a party of Waikato people returning home from Taranaki. Mr. Richmond remarks that your letter, and the proceedings it details, are satisfactory, and directs me to inform you of a promise which he made to Hone Pihama to the effect that, after peace is restored, his land shall be returned to him as far as possible.—I have, &c., G. S. COOPER, Under-Secretary.

2.—Mr. PARRIS, Civil Commissioner, to the Hon. the NATIVE MINISTER. New Plymouth, 2nd March, 1870.

SIR,—With reference to your letter of the 14th ultimo (Confiscated Lands No. 21), in reply to mine of the 11th on the subject of a promise made to Hone Pihama to give him a grant of land at Oeo, and recommending for your favourable consideration that the block of land between the Streams Ouri and Oeo be set apart for himself and his Ngatitama-Ahuroa following, I have now the honor to forward herewith for your information a rough sketch of the piece of land from the beach to the bush, together with a list of the names of his immediate Ngatitama-Ahuroa following, not including women and children. Hone Pihama was promised a free grant of land to himself, independent of any others, for his faithful services for the last five years, great part of which time his exertions for the Government have been of no ordinary kind. I beg, therefore, to recommend that the piece of land seaward of the South Road be granted to him as a freehold, and that he should be joint owner of whatever quantity you may be pleased to award them inland of the South Road, which runs across the piece of land as shown by the sketch map. The Ngatitama-Ahuroa tribal boundaries were from Omaturangi, on the south, to a place called Puketapu (between Ouri and Otumataua), on the north, a sea frontage of about five miles. I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of a letter which I received from the Under Native Secretary, dated 5th November, 1868, respecting a promise made by the late Native Minister to Hone Pihama, "to the effect that, after peace is restored, his land shall be returned to him as far as possible."—I have, &c., R. PARRIS, C.C.

Enclosure.

HONE PIHAMA, Nikorima, Hone Rake, Rihari Rangipukenga, Patohe, Nopera Kao, Ngaru, Hoani Rangiaheretu, Aweawenuku, Werangi Tutahau, Angikina, Kipa, Wataranihi, Tuata, Turaukawa, Wiremu te Manu, Ihaha Kaipopo, Hopa, Uruteangina, Iraia Tuki, Pepene, Tito, Aperahama Matakahia.

3.—The Hon. the NATIVE MINISTER to Mr. PARRIS, Civil Commissioner. Government Buildings, Auckland, 16th March, 1870.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of marginal date and number, with the enclosures and sketch of the proposed grant of land to the chief, Hone Pihama. In reply I have to acquaint you that the Government fully recognize Hone Pihama's services, and will, subject to necessary reservations for roads, grant the land described by you as situated between the Oeo and Ouri Streams, comprising about 2,200 acres, in such proportions to himself individually, and to his tribe collectively, as you may deem advisable and just, after conference with Hone and his people. The land to be allotted to the tribe shall be deemed inalienable without the consent of the Governor.—I have, &c., DONALD McLEAN.

No. 3.—CORRESPONDENCE and TELEGRAMS relative to the 700-acre RESERVE at STRATFORD, and the 10,000-acre RESERVE at KETEMARAE (Mountain Road).

[TELEGRAMS put in by Major BROWN.]

1.—Major BROWN to the Hon. the SUPERINTENDENT, New Plymouth. Hawera, 2nd April, 1876.

NATIVES not disposed to sell reserve of 700 acres at Patea, but appear favourably disposed to my proposition of shifting it to the reserve at Ketemarae. Is there any objection? Duplicate of this to Hon. Major Atkinson.—C. BROWN, C.C.

2.—Hon. Major ATKINSON to Major BROWN. Wellington, 3rd April, 1876. (Extract.)

I KNOW nothing about reserves at Ketemarae. Will communicate with Carrington. Thanks for sending him duplicate. What is your opinion as to advisability of change?—H. A. ATKINSON.