

Voucher 39,987, L2 10s., 26th of August, 1879 (cheque 715, J. H. Hall).—Admits signature. Does not remember the payment, but does not wish to dispute it.

Voucher 39,988, L5, 29th of August, 1879 (paid to Asher, apparently as part of L30 paid to Asher in refund of money advanced by him).—Believes he received the money in June, not in August.

Voucher 68,407, L2, 10th of March.—Admits signature. Paid to Horne and Reid. Owed nothing to Horne and Reid for anything but powder and shot, which could not come to L2.

Voucher 74,957, L3 12s., 30th of April (part of cheque for L87 paid to Chaytor).—Does not remember getting any goods but those already referred to. Is not in the habit of going into debt, and thinks if he had had these things he would have remembered it, which he is quite unable to do.

Voucher 68,430, L15, 15th of March, 1879 (part of £407).—Admits payment by cheque in Court-house, Maketu.

Voucher 41,810, L1 6s., 23rd of September, 1879 (part of L24 9s. 10d. paid to Wrigley).—Does not remember having the case of biscuits entered in Wrigley's bill.

TUESDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY, 1880.

ERUINE TE TIKAO examined.

Voucher 7,704, £8 18s. 9d., 20th May, 1879.—Whenever he has gone to draw money a blank form of voucher was placed before him for signature which he signed. (Appears to be part of cheque for £34 11s. 5d. paid to Wrigley, of Tauranga.) He knows nothing of the goods. Never bought any goods from Wrigley on any occasion. Did not receive £8 18s. 9d. in cash. Has received money on Waitahanui—namely, £15 in one sum at Tauranga, in a cheque on the Bank of New Zealand. Had no other money or goods on Waitahanui.

Voucher 21,714-8, £5, 7th September, 1878.—Admits payment. Voucher 21,714-11, £5, 11th September, 1878.—Admits payment. The first by hands of Warbrick, in Mr. Wilson's house, by cheque on Bank of New Zealand. The second from Warbrick, in notes, at Horne and Reid's store, Tauranga. Received a third sum of £5 from Warbrick, by cheque on the Bank of New Zealand, at the Land Purchase Office, Tauranga. Did not sign any voucher on that occasion.

Several of us (Rota, Eretere, and self) wished to go to Auckland, and we got £5 from Warbrick, which he proposed to charge on Tahunaroa. We wished it charged to balance due on Waitahanui or Pukeroa; but Warbrick said there was some confusion about those blocks, and he would charge it to Tahunaroa. We did not consent.

Voucher 39,994, £5, 29th of August, 1879.—Denies this as a payment on account of Tahunaroa; it is therefore probably the third payment of £5 referred to above.

Voucher 39,995, £5, 30th of August.—Admits one payment of £5 on account of Tahunaroa.

Voucher 39,996, £2 10s., 17th of September, 1879.—Appears to have been paid to D. Bills, from whom Eruine admits having received a saddle, and supposes this to be the amount paid.

Voucher 7,736, £2, 28th of May (qy., 28th June in cash-book).—Did not receive the amount (cheque 229). Admits signature, but never received the money; is quite certain as to that.

Voucher 41,838, £3 18s. 6d., 30th September, 1879 (part payment of £40 to L. Lee).—Admits voucher and payment as correct.

Has received goods from the younger Asher to the amount probably of the sums shown in Asher's account (£13 12s. 6d.—paid to Asher as part of a sum of £60). (These moneys are not charged in Young's accounts as paid on account of Eruine te Tikao. See folio 61 in cash-book.)

Admits the items, £23 15s., £13 16s. 3d., and £25 12s., charged in Chaytor's account; but says that he had nothing to do with the goods for £25 12s. but to distribute them at the request of Te Puehu and others to the women at Maketu.

NUTONA WAIHI examined.

Is interested in Pukeroa, Kaikokopu, and Waitahanui.

Voucher 46,390, L15, 31st of December, 1878.—Acknowledges receipt of a cheque on the National Bank, paid to him in Tauranga by Mr. Warbrick. Admits signature.

Voucher 51,594, L1, 6th of January, 1879.—Admits receipt of a one-pound note.

Voucher 41,809, L4 10s., 23rd of September, 1879.—Never received any money on Kaikokopu. His share is still intact. (Amount paid as part of L24 9s. 4d. to Wrigley.) Never consented to anything being charged to his share of Kaikokopu. Recollects owing about L2 18s. to Wrigley at Maketu, but had nothing else owing to him.

Voucher 23,281, L8 10s., 16th of September, 1878.—Admits amount as paid for cart-harness to Connor. Signed voucher in blank.

Voucher 68,409, L10 3s., charged to Nutona and Matui jointly, 5th of March, 1879 (apparently paid to Wrigley—cheque 7,618—but not credited in Wrigley's account).—Never had any dealings whatever with Wrigley in Tauranga. Had a plough and harrow from Asher in conjunction with Matui (charged to Matui on the 10th of March, L13 5s.). Admits signature to voucher, but denies receipt of money or goods. Never signed a receipt in conjunction with Matui. The latter cannot write at all—not even his own name.

Voucher 21,714, L5, 13th of September, 1878.—Admits signature and receipt of money.

Voucher 21,714, L2, 14th September, 1878.—Admits receipt of money in notes from Warbrick.

Voucher 38,684, L2, 19th November, 1878.—Received a second sum of L2 in notes from Warbrick.

Voucher 39,980, L2 2s., 29th of August, 1879 (part of a sum of L4 4s. paid Castaing).—Knows nothing about any debt to Castaing, but obtained L2—not L2 2s.—by order of Warbrick on Whitcombe. Received it in cash—L1 for himself and L1 for Te Putu—at time of *tangi* on Judge Young.

WIREMU PERETENA TAREAO examined.

Is interested in Waitahanui only. Has received L15 by notes from Warbrick, and L5 by cheque from Warbrick. Never had other money or any goods on account of land.