

their requirements are much greater than in former times owing to their food supplies being cut off or considerably interfered with, they now find that the land set apart for them, for the reasons stated as well as other causes, is inadequate to their wants.

At the inquiry it was ascertained that there were 245 persons, inclusive of half-castes, who were insufficiently provided for; and I would beg to recommend that land to the extent of five thousand acres should be selected and set apart in suitable localities, for the purpose of enabling an area of twenty acres to be allotted to each individual, less the quantity already possessed.

It is impossible at present, owing to their reserves not having been subdivided amongst them, to determine the quantity now possessed per individual; and this can only be ascertained after the Native Land Court has sat in the locality. In the meantime, however, it would be advisable that action be taken to secure the land needed to increase the reserves.

I endeavoured, in accordance with the instructions contained in the last part of paragraph 4, to select land for the purpose, but found myself unable to fulfil the duty owing to the numerous obstructions that interfered with the due carrying-out of the requirement.

As far as I could ascertain at the Land Office, Blenheim, all the desirable spots on the shores of Queen Charlotte and Pelorus Sounds suitable for Native occupation, and which they desired to acquire as possessing some peculiar advantages, were, for the most part, reserved as sites for fishery reserves, or were occupied under lease or license for pastoral purposes.

The Pelorus Natives were very desirous to secure a block of land up the Rae Valley, at the junction of a stream called the Rongo with the River Rae; but all the country in that locality has been proclaimed under the State Forests Act. Other localities where they desire to secure land are within the Wakamarina Goldfield, and unavailable without specially withdrawn.

I have the honour to attach hereto, in compliance with the first part of paragraph 4, schedules containing the particulars required relative to the names, addresses, and sex of the persons on whose behalf the inquiry was made, as well as a list of the lands alluded to.

All this is respectfully submitted to your Excellency.

Signed and sealed this 9th day of May, 1887.

A. MACKAY.

A.—LIST of NGATIKUIA NATIVES residing in the Pelorus and Elsewhere.

Tribe.	No.	Name.	Sex.	Age.		Abode.
				Under 15.	Over 15.	
Ngatikuia	1	Harota Hemi	F.	...	x	Pelorus.
"	2	Hemi Whiro	M.	...	x	"
"	3	Kepa Hemi	M.	...	x	"
"	4	Hakaraia Hemi	M.	...	x	"
"	5	Watene Hemi	M.	...	x	"
"	6	Te Pou Hemi	M.	...	x	"
"	7	Hiria Hemi	F.	...	x	"
"	8	Kiti Hemi	F.	...	x	"
"	9	Iria Hemi	M.	...	x	"
"	10	Amiria Hemi	F.	x	...	"
"	11	Te Kuraihanu Hemi	M.	x	...	"
"	12	Unaiki Hemi	F.	x	...	"
"	13	Kipa Hemi	M.	x	...	"
"	14	Teone Hiparaiti	M.	...	x	"
"	15	Teo Hiparaiti	M.	...	x	"
"	16	Maraea Hiparaiti	F.	...	x	"
"	17	Ema Hiparaiti	F.	x	...	"
"	18	Mere Hiparaiti	F.	x	...	"
"	19	Rora Hiparaiti	F.	x	...	"
"	20	Taare Hiparaiti	M.	x	...	"
"	21	Matina Hiparaiti	M.	x	...	Rangitoto.
"	22	Ihaka Tekateka	M.	...	x	Wairau.
"	23	Huria Ihaka	F.	...	x	Pelorus.
"	24	Tamati Wirihana	M.	x	...	"
"	25	Pani Wirihana	F.	...	x	"
"	26	Tiritiri Wirihana	M.	...	x	"
"	27	Meihana Kereopa	M.	...	x	"
"	28	Rena Makitonore	F.	...	x	"
"	29	Kainu Meihana	M.	...	x	"
"	30	Tahuaraki Meihana	M.	...	x	"
"	31	Harena Meihana	F.	...	x	"
"	32	Amiria Meihana	F.	...	x	"
"	33	Hana Meihana	F.	...	x	"
"	34	Pirihira Meihana	F.	x	...	"
"	35	Kaaro Meihana	F.	x	...	"
"	36	Oriwia Kereopa	F.	...	x	Rangitoto.