

salaries of the officers charged with the management of Native matters at Auckland. I hope that, in this report, I have not trespassed beyond my proper sphere of duty in making suggestions which should possibly have been discussed with His Honour the Superintendent before submitted to you. If I have done so, it is from a desire to prevent the great loss which is at present sustained by these valuable reserves lying idle and unproductive.

I have, &c.,

JAMES MACKAY,

Civil Commissioner.

The Hon. the Native Minister, Wellington.

NOTE.—Mr Mackay's evidence, page 48, shows steps taken in reference to these lots.

Enclosure 3 in No. 10.

CONVEYANCE by Mr. and Mrs. BELLINGHAM to Bishop POMPALLIER.

THIS Deed, made the twelfth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, between William Bellingham, of Auckland, in the Territory of New Zealand, settler, and Maria Bellingham, his wife, of the one part, and Jean Baptiste François Pompallier, of the same place, Roman Catholic Bishop of Auckland aforesaid, of the other part: Whereas by Crown Grant dated the eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, under the hand of Robert Fitzroy, Esquire, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the said Territory and its Dependencies, and under the seal of the said Territory Her Majesty Queen Victoria did grant unto the said William Bellingham, his heirs and assigns, all that allotment or parcel of land therein and hereinafter described, being suburban allotment number seventy-seven: And whereas the said Jean Baptiste François Pompallier hath contracted with the said William Bellingham for the purchase of the said allotment of land for the sum of one hundred pounds sterling: And whereas the said Maria Bellingham hath agreed to release her title to dower out of the said allotment of land, and for that purpose to join in the conveyance thereof: Now this deed witnesseth that, *in consideration of the sum of one hundred pounds sterling paid by the said Jean Baptiste François Pompallier to the said William Bellingham* (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged), the said William Bellingham doth hereby convey and assure, and the said Maria Bellingham doth remise, release, and for ever quit claim unto the said Jean Baptiste François Pompallier, *all that allotment or parcel of land in the said Territory, containing by admeasurement nineteen acres three roods and thirty-nine perches more or less, situated in the Parish of Takapuna, County of Eden, suburban allotment number seventy-seven*, bounded on the north-east by a road seven hundred and forty links, on the south-east by a creek, on the south by a creek, and on the north-west by lot number seventy-six two thousand six hundred and eighty links, as the same is more particularly delineated by the plan thereof drawn in the margin of this deed marked A, together with all buildings and improvements thereon being, and all others the rights and appurtenances thereto belonging, and also the hereinbefore in part recited deed of grant, *to hold the said allotment of land and premises, with the appurtenances, unto and to the use of the said Jean Baptiste François Pompallier and his successors, Roman Catholic Bishop of Auckland aforesaid, and his and their assigns, for ever.* In witness whereof the said parties have hereunto subscribed their names.

WILLIAM BELLINGHAM.

MARIA BELLINGHAM.

Signed by the said William Bellingham and Maria Bellingham
in the presence of

L. O'BRIEN, Solicitor, Auckland.

THOMAS RUSSELL, Solicitor, Auckland.

This Deed, marked A, was on this day produced before us, and acknowledged by Maria Bellingham, wife of William Bellingham therein named, to be her act and deed, previous to which acknowledgment the said Maria Bellingham was examined by us separately and apart from her husband, touching her knowledge of the contents of the said deed, and declared the same to be freely and voluntarily executed by her. Dated the twelfth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two.

THOMAS RUSSELL, a Commissioner, &c.

L. O'BRIEN, a Commissioner, &c.

Enclosure 4 in No. 10.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. JAMES BULLER to Mr. T. HEALE.

SIR,—

Auckland, 9th April, 1869.

I have the honour to send you such information as I possess in answer to several questions which were proposed to me by Mr. Gisborne in his memo., as follows:—

1. A rough estimate of amounts of public money granted to the Three Kings Institution, and for what objects expended?

In my evidence I think I stated that probably about £4,000 of public money had been granted at sundry times. The documents in my possession do not date further back than 13th May, 1853. I have looked carefully over these, and can find an entry only of £200, which was expended in the completion of dormitories in the year 1855. Beyond this sum, the annual appropriation was for the maintenance of the school. The buildings and other improvements were chiefly erected previous to the above named date, and it was in such objects that the said grants of money were expended. On reconsideration, I am of opinion that I formed my estimate at a much greater amount than was actually received.

2. A return of the receipts and expenditure for the last three years on the Three Kings institution?