AT a sitting of the Validation Court, duly constituted, and held at the Supreme Court House at New Plymouth on the 9th day of April, 1902, before James Meacham Batham, Esquire, a Judge, and Wi Neera te Kanae, an Assessor, upon hearing Mr. Kerr, of counsel for the applicant, William Courtney, and Mr. F. J. Wilson, of counsel for the Public Trustee, and it having been made to appear to the satisfaction of the Court that the applicant, William Courtney, in reliance on certain orders of the Native Land Court made in exercise of the jurisdiction supposed to have been conferred on the said Court by a certain Order in Council, dated the 4th day of March, 1887, purchased the said Native Reserve 159 ("A," Te Puia) in the Hua District, in the Paritutu Survey District, containing 76 acres (described in the said Act as being in the Fitzroy District, and containing 50 acres), and being the whole of the land comprised in a certificate of title recorded in the office of the District Land Registrar in Volume xxix., folio 40, and, it having been made to appear to this Court that the alienation by the Native on which such transaction is based was fair and reasonable, the Court, by consent, does hereby ratify and confirm such transaction and purchase and the title of the said William Courtney to the estate in fee-simple in the said Native Reserve 159 ("A," Te Puia) comprised in the said certificate of title.

Dated at New Plymouth, this 15th day of April, 1902.

By the Court.

J. M. BATHAM, Judge.

## IN THE VALIDATION COURT.

In the matter of "The Reserves and Other Lands Sale, Disposal, and Enabling and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1901"; and in the matter of the application of Arthur Standish, of New Plymouth, solicitor, for the validation of his title to Native Reserve No. 24, Fitzroy District, being part of Section No. 30 on the map of the said district, containing by admeasurement two (2) roods.

AT a sitting of the Validation Court, duly constituted, and held at the Supreme Court House, New Plymouth, on the 3rd day of April, 1902, before James Meacham Batham, Esquire, a Judge, and Wi Neera te Kanae, Esquire, Assessor, upon hearing Mr. Kerr, of counsel for the applicant, the said Arthur Standish, and Mr. F. J. Wilson, of counsel for the Public Trustee, and it having been made to appear to the satisfaction of the Court that the said Arthur Standish has acquired by purchase a valid title to the fee-simple estate in the said Native Reserve No. 24, being part of Section No. 30 on the map of the Fitzroy District, and this Court, being satisfied that the transaction between the Native owner and the European purchaser through whom the applicant claims was in all respects fair and reasonable, the Court doth hereby ratify and confirm the title of the said Arthur Standish to the fee-simple estate in the said Native Reserve No. 24, and doth hereby direct the District Land Registrar at New Plymouth to issue to the said Arthur Standish a certificate of title for the said Native Reserve No. 24.

Dated this 3rd day of April, 1902.

By the Court.

J. M. BATHAM, Judge.

IN THE VALIDATION COURT OF NEW ZEALAND,

DISTRICT OF TARANAKI.

In the matter of "The Reserves and Other Lands Sale, Disposal, and Enabling and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1901"; and the application of Elizabeth Emma Dempsey, of New Plymouth, wife of Hector Dempsey, of the same place, schoolmaster, for the validation of the certificate of title (Volume xxx., folio 202) to an undivided moiety of and in Subdivisions 35, 39, and 46 on the public map of Native Reserve No. 3, Puketotara, Grey District, subject to Lease No. 2197 to Sarah Jane Clegg.

AT a sitting of the Validation Court, duly constituted, and held at the Courthouse, New Plymouth. on the 8th day of April, 1902, before James Meacham Batham, Esquire, Judge, and Wi Neera te Kanae, Assessor, upon hearing Mr. Robert Clinton Hughes, of counsel for the applicant, and Mr. Frederick John Wilson, of counsel for the Public Trustee, and it having been made to appear to the satisfaction of the Court that the payment made, as alleged, which gave rise to the issue of the said certificate of title was so made in reliance upon an order of the Native Land Court made under the circumstances set out in the preamble to section 48 of the abovementioned Act, and, being further satisfied that the transaction in respect of which such payment was made is in all respects fair and reasonable, it is hereby ordered that the said transaction and the said certificate of title shall be and is hereby ratified and confirmed; and it is further ordered that the interests of the whole of the owners of the abovementioned Subdivisions 35, 39, and 46 on the public map of

Native Reserve No. 3, Puketotara, Grey District, shall be partitioned in manner following:—
To the Public Trustee, the whole of the abovementioned Subdivisions Nos. 35 and 39, containing together twenty-one acres and thirty perches (21a. Or. 30p.), and part of the Subdivision No. 46, to contain eight acres three roods (8a. 3r. 0p.), the latter area being bounded as follows: On the west by the Mangorei Road; on the north by Section No. 45; on the east by the Waiwakaiho River; and on the south commencing at a point on the Mangorei Road aforesaid about 633 links from the north-west corner of the said Section No. 46, thence in a line parallel to the northern boundary of the said section to a mound marked on sketch produced, "Graves," thence south at right angles 210 links, thence east at right angles 100 links, thence north about 100 links, and thence by a line drawn easterly and parallel with the northern boundary aforesaid till it reaches the Waiwakaiho River aforesaid, so as to include the said area: this subdivision to be known as to part 46 as 46A.

To the abovenamed Elizabeth Emma Dempsey the remainder of the said Subdivision No. 46, containing twenty-seven acres one rood (27a. 1r. Op.), more or less, and to be known as No. 46B., subject to the said Lease No. 2197; the said Elizabeth Emma Dempsey to take the share of rent reserved to Karena te Ha, her predecessor in title.

Dated this 8th day of April, 1902.

By the Court.

J. M. BATHAM, Judge.