

*Schedule.*

All that piece of land, containing 10½ ars, more or less, being Allotment No. 9, Settlement and District of Tauhunu, Island of Manihiki. Starting from the north-east corner of the southern side of the Landing Road and western side of the Ara Metua; thence southerly along the western side of the Ara Metua 30·7 meters; thence westerly along the northern side of a right-of-way to high-water mark; thence northerly along high-water mark to the southern side of the Landing Road; thence easterly along the southern side of the Landing Road to the starting-point.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this thirteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and six.

C. H. MILLS.

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LAND TAKEN FOR FLAGSTAFF RESERVE AT TAUHUNU, MANIHIKI.

PLUNKET, Governor.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the schedule hereto is required to be taken under "The Cook and other Islands Government Act Amendment Act, 1904," for a certain public work, to wit, for a flagstaff reserve at Tauhunu, Manihiki:

Now, therefore, I, William Lee, Baron Plunket, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by the said Act, and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby notify that on the date of the publication hereof in the *Cook Islands Gazette* the land mentioned in the schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purpose of a flagstaff reserve.

*Schedule.*

All that piece of land, containing 6½ perches, more or less, being Allotment No. 7, Settlement and District of Tauhunu, Island of Manihiki. Starting on the northern side of the Landing Road at a point 127 links from the western side of the Ara Metua; thence northerly 46·1 links; thence westerly to high-water mark; thence southerly along high-water mark to the northern side of the Landing Road; thence easterly along the northern side of the Landing Road to the starting-point.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this thirteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and six.

C. H. MILLS.

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LAND TAKEN FOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND COURTHOUSE AT RAKAHANGA.

PLUNKET, Governor.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the schedule hereto is required to be taken under "The Cook and other Islands Government Act Amendment Act, 1904," for a certain public work, to wit, for Council Chambers and Courthouse at Rakahanga:

Now, therefore, I, William Lee, Baron Plunket, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by the said Act, and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby notify that on the date of the publication hereof in the *Cook Islands Gazette* the land mentioned in the schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purpose of Council Chambers and Courthouse at Rakahanga.

*Schedule.*

All that piece of land, containing 5·8 ars, more or less (exclusive of right-of-way), being Allotment 5, Settlement and District of Rakahanga, Island of Rakahanga. Starting from the north-east corner of Section 3, thence along the western side of a right-of-way northerly 21·38 meters; thence along the southern side of the Ara-o-Mahuta westerly 16·43 meters to the north-east corner of a right-of-way of 2 meters wide which is reserved through this section, running southerly to the northern boundary of Section 3; thence along the southern side of the Ara-o-Mahuta, westerly 13·60 meters; thence southerly along the eastern side of a right-of-way 18·87 meters; thence along the northern boundary of Section 3, easterly 32·45 meters, to the starting-point.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this thirteenth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and six.

C. H. MILLS.

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No. 124.

Rarotonga, Cook Islands, 22nd January, 1906.

SIR,—

I have the honour to report for your information that the trade returns of the Cook and Northern Islands have now been compiled, and disclose that the Imports for the year ending the 31st December, 1905, are of a value of £36,933, being an increase of £3,594 on the year 1904.

The exports have, however, fallen off, and show a value of £28,257, against £31,578 for the year 1904, a shrinkage of £3,330. The hurricane of January, 1905, will account for this shrinkage, since we are short not less than 285 tons of copra from the two islands of Aitutaki and Mangaia, valued at £3,049.