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NATIVE LANDS AND NATIVE-LAND TENURE:

INTERIM REPORT OF NATIVE LAND COMMISSION ON NATIVE LANDS IN THE COUNTIES OF
HOKIANGA AND BAY OF ISLANDS.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

Native Land Commission, Auckland, 11th May, 1908.

To His Excellency the Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We have the honour to submit for your consideration the following interim report on Native lands in the Counties of Hokianga and Bay of Islands.

There is a large area of land in these counties suitable for settlement, some offered by the Native owners and some we propose to recommend. Owing to the position of some of the titles and of the surveys, we are compelled to withhold our recommendations in respect of some of the blocks until we receive surveyors' reports on the rough scheme of settlement we propose. We are forwarding the rough scheme to the Native Department, and asking that competent surveyors be directed to visit the blocks in question and report to us as soon as possible.

In the meantime we recommend the issue of an Order in Council under section 10 of "The Native Land Settlement Act, 1907," prohibiting private alienation over the lands set forth in the Schedule hereto.

We have the honour to be

Your Excellency's obedient servants,

ROBERT STOUT } Commissioners.
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SCHEDULE.

Name of Block.	Area.	Survey District.	Remarks.
A. HOKIANGA.			
Mangamuka East and subdivisions	A. 8,949 R. 0 P. 0	Maungataniwha.	
Mangamuka West and subdivisions	12,520 0 0	„	
Motukiore and subdivisions ..	2,800 0 0	Mangamuka ..	Messrs. Ramsay and Dive, of Rawene, are reported to have options over the timber.
Te Pukahu	2,880 0 0	„ ..	Title recently determined by Native Appellate Court.