

1908.
NEW ZEALAND.

EXCHANGE OF LAND AT WOODWARD STREET
AND WELLINGTON TERRACE

(CORRESPONDENCE, ETC., RELATING TO).

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 1st July, 1908.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House all correspondence, plans, &c., relating to the alleged exchange of land at Woodward Street and Wellington Terrace between the Government, the Wellington City Council, and the company of T. K. Macdonald (Limited)."—(Mr. FISHER).

CORRESPONDENCE, ETC., RELATING TO EXCHANGE OF LAND AT WOODWARD
STREET AND WELLINGTON TERRACE.

In your reply
9443.
please quote this number.

MEMORANDUM.

Department of Lands and Survey, District Office, Wellington, 11th November, 1901.
The Surveyor-General, Wellington.

Unclaimed Lands, City of Wellington.

I HAVE the honour to forward herewith a tracing and two descriptions of parts of Section 488, City of Wellington, in order that the lots may be gazetted as Crown lands in terms of sections 6 and 13 of "The New Zealand Company's Land Claimants Act, 1892," and its amendments.

Enclosures: Tracings, two descriptions.

JAMES MACKENZIE,

For Commissioner of Crown Lands.

P.S.—This is one not sent in my memo. of the 10th ultimo.—J. M.

9443.

DESCRIPTION OF LAND TO BE RESERVED.

Land District of Wellington.

ALL that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement four and two-tenths perches, more or less, being part of Section No. 488, City of Wellington Survey District. Bounded towards the north by part of Section 488, one hundred and thirty-six and seven-tenths (136·7) links; towards the east by a roadway, nineteen and one-tenth (19·1) links; towards the south by part of Section 488, one hundred and thirty-nine and one-tenth (139·1) links; and towards the west by Wellington Terrace, nineteen (19) links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington. For Crown land.

DESCRIPTION OF LAND TO BE RESERVED.
Land District of Wellington.

ALL that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement six and five-tenths perches, more or less, being part of Section No. 488, City of Wellington Survey District. Bounded towards the north by part of Section 488, seventy and two-tenths (70·2) links; towards the east by Section 488, fifty-six and seven-tenths (56·7) links; towards the south by Section 487, seventy-four and nine-tenths (74·9) links; and towards the west by Wellington Terrace, fifty-six and five-tenths (56·5) links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington. For Crown land.

41034.

Department of Lands, Wellington, 29th April, 1907.

Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington.

Unclaimed Lands, City of Wellington.

Re your 9443, of the 11th November, 1901, in regard to portions of Section 488, City of Wellington, and shown on tracing accompanying your memo., please have a valuation made of the land in question, area 0 0 6·55, as early as you can, as the Wellington City Council are asking the Government to dispose of this area to them in order that they may exchange with the owner of portion of Section 487, a portion of which it is proposed to cut off for street-widening purposes.

WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary.

U.S.,—Under what circumstances was this letter sent out by you to the Comr. C.L.?—R. McNAB. 10/6/08.

The Hon. Minister of Lands,—His Worship the Mayor of Wellington (Mr. Hislop) personally waited upon me, stating the City Council wished to obtain an area of Crown land, at a valuation, to exchange *re* Woodward Street widening.

WM. C. KENSINGTON.
10/6/1908.

9443/345.

Department of Lands and Survey, District Office, Wellington, 1st May, 1907.

The Valuer-General, Wellington.

Unclaimed Lands, City of Wellington.

I HAVE the honour to forward herewith a schedule of pieces of Crown lands in and near the City of Wellington, and shall be obliged if you will kindly allow your District Valuer, Mr. Martin, to supply valuations at which the various parcels of land could be either offered for sale at auction for cash, or, if thought advisable to do so, be disposed of privately without competition to the adjoining owners at a fair price.

As it is desirable to deal with the sections as soon as possible, I should be obliged if Mr. Martin could make the valuations at an early date should you approve.

Enclosure: Schedule.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

9443/345.

Subdivision.	District.	Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Area.
...	City of Wellington	Pt. 128	...	Port Nicholson	A. B. P. 0 0 10·8
...	"	Pt. 488	...	"	0 0 6·5
...	"	Pt. 488	...	"	0 0 4·2
Subdivision 6	"	Pt. 726	...	"	0 0 21·6
Subdivisions 7 and 8...	"	Pt. 726	...	"	0 1 2·5
...	"	Pt. 203	...	"	0 0 1·1
Lot 5	Ohiro	Pt. 14	...	"	6 1 31
Lot 4	"	Pt. 14	X	"	5 0 7
Lots 3, 7	"	Pt. 14	X	"	11 2 19
Lot 1	"	Pt. 14	X	"	6 2 27
...	"	Pt. 95	I	Rimutaka	35 2 3
...	Orangikaupapa No. 2...	...	VI	Port Nicholson	0 2 10
Lots 99, 101	Wadestown	1	VI	"	0 3 26
Lot 77	"	1	VI	"	0 1 39

41073.

SIR,—
Wellington, N.Z., 2nd May, 1907.
The Government recently took possession of a small section of land on Wellington Terrace, immediately opposite the Wellington Club, which is now required in the interests of improvement by the City Council. The Council are desirous of creating a low-level street in Woodward Street, running from Lambton Quay to Wellington Terrace, and making the present portion of Wellington Terrace in that quarter practically a high-level street. To accomplish this it is necessary that

the Council should absorb some 4 or 5 perches of the present section at the corner of Woodward Street. This would, however, mean so serious a loss of space as to make the compensation to be paid by them very heavy, and possibly prevent the improvement taking place. This, however, could be avoided if the Council were in the position of being able to transfer to the owner of the corner section a section of somewhat similar size and value—the one recently vested in the Government.

We shall, therefore, be glad to know if the Government would assist the matter by placing a fair price upon the latter section, when the City Council and the owner could adjust the matter, and a very necessary public work be made possible.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,

MACDONALD, WILSON, AND CO.

The Secretary, Crown Lands Department, Wellington.

Valuation Department, Wellington, 20th May, 1907.

Memorandum for the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington.

IN compliance with your request I append herewith copy of report by Mr. Martin, District Valuer, on pieces of Crown lands in and near the City of Wellington.

"I have valued the parcels of land as detailed in the schedule attached to letter of 1st instant, as follows:—

(Here follows schedule referring to six parcels of land.)

These I recommend should be disposed of at public auction. Regarding the balance I wish to make the following suggestions:—

Pt. T.A. 203:

Pt. T.A. 488, Wellington Terrace: 0a. 0r. 06·55p. C.V. £652, U.V. £652 has already been arranged for.

Pt. T.A. 488, Wellington Terrace: 0a. 0r. 04·21p. to be offered to M. A. Williams, whose buildings encroach on it, for £375 cash; in event of offer not being entertained, to be submitted to public auction, with a reserve of £312 10s."

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G. F. C. CAMPBELL, Valuer-General.

41934.

GENTLEMEN,—

Department of Lands, Wellington, 23rd May, 1907.

Referring to your letter of the 2nd instant, I had already taken action and requested the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington, on the 29th April to furnish me with a valuation of the area in question, but up to this date he has not done so, and I am writing to him again, instructing him that the matter is urgent, and that a reply must be forthcoming at once. I hope to be able to put the matter before the Minister, on his return from Auckland, within the next few days.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary.

Messrs. Macdonald, Wilson, and Co., Land and Estate Agents, Lambton Quay, Wellington.

Department of Lands, Wellington, 23rd May, 1907.

Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington.

Surplus Lands, City of Wellington.

REFERRING to my memo. to you of the 29th April, Government require an immediate valuation obtained, so that the matter may come before Cabinet. Please furnish same without delay. I refer to the area in Wellington Terrace, &c.

WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary.

Department of Lands, District Office, Wellington, 29th May, 1907.

The Under-Secretary for Crown Lands, Wellington.

Unclaimed Lands, City of Wellington.—Pts. Sec. 488, City.

REFERRING to your memo. of the 29th ultimo, 41034, I have the honour to forward herewith a tracing showing the portion of 0a. 0r. 6·55p. of the above section, edged in green.

The Valuer-General has advised me that his Valuer puts the capital value of this portion at £652.

The rest of the derelict-section valuations will be forwarded shortly, after I have gone through the values with the Valuer, who is to come here presently for that purpose.

JOHN STRAUCHON,

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Enclosure: Tracing.

41034/78.

Department of Lands, Wellington, 29th May, 1907.

The Hon. the Minister of Lands.

Part of Section 488, City of Wellington.

MESSRS. MACDONALD, WILSON, AND CO., on behalf of the Wellington City Council, have applied to the Government to be allowed to purchase, at a reasonable price, an area of 6.55 perches, being part of Section 488, fronting Wellington Terrace, and shown on the attached tracing, edged green.

The object of the request is to enable the Council to acquire a portion of the adjoining Section 487 for the purpose of widening Woodward Street, and, if allowed to obtain the 6.55 perches referred to, they can exchange it for the area tinted pink on the tracing accompanying Messrs. Macdonald, Wilson, and Co.'s letter of the 2nd instant (below).

At the request of Messrs. Macdonald, Wilson, and Co., the Commissioner of Crown Lands was instructed to obtain a valuation of the portion of Section 488 applied for, and he now reports that the Valuer-General advises him that it is assessed at £652.

Under the circumstances I have therefore to bring the matter before you for decision. You would be in order in disposing of the land under section 117 of "The Land Act, 1892," as it is Crown land, and the Council are the owners of the adjoining streets, and wish to obtain the area solely for the purposes of exchange with the owner of Section 487, so as to enable them to widen Woodward Street.

WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary.

For Cabinet.—R. McNAB. 29/5/07.

In Cabinet, 30th May, 1907.—Proposed sale approved.—J. F. ANDREWS, Asst. Secy.

Department of Lands, Wellington, 31st May, 1907.

Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington.

Part Section 488, City of Wellington.

In reply to your 9443, of the 29th instant, the Government has agreed to sell to the Wellington City Council, under section 117 of "The Land Act, 1892," portion of Section 488, fronting Wellington Terrace, and containing 6.55 perches, for the sum of £652.

WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary.

GENTLEMEN,—

Department of Lands, Wellington, 31st May, 1907.

Referring again to your letter of the 2nd instant, *re* a small area of Crown land situated on Wellington Terrace, a report as to its value was obtained from the Commissioner of Crown Lands, and the matter has been submitted to Cabinet by the Hon. Minister of Lands, and I am directed to reply that Cabinet have agreed to the proposed sale to the Wellington City Council at the sum assessed as its value by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, and by the Valuer-General, for the small portion of Section 488 fronting Wellington Terrace, of an area of 6.55 perches, for the sum of £652, the assessed value.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary.

Messrs. Macdonald, Wilson, and Co., Land Agents, Wellington.

9443/356.

Department of Lands and Survey, District Office, Wellington, 28th June, 1907.

The Town Clerk, Wellington.

Part Section 488, City of Wellington.

I HAVE the honour to inform you that the Government has agreed to sell to the Wellington City Council, under section 117 of "The Land Act, 1892," portion of the above section fronting Wellington Terrace, and containing 6.55 perches, for the sum of £652.

I shall be obliged if you will please forward me a formal application for this land from the Mayor, Councillors, &c., and remit a cheque for the purchase-money and Crown-grant fee—viz., £653—to the Receiver of Land Revenue.

Steps will then be taken to issue the grant in due course. I enclose a tracing of the section. You will notice that a building encroaches to some extent on the southern boundary.

Enclosures: Application form, tracing.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

SIR,—

Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall, Wellington, 5th September, 1907.

Referring to your letter of the 28th June last, with regard to part Section 488, City of Wellington, I am instructed to make an application for the purchase of this land by the Council at the sum stated in your communication, including the Crown-grant fee (£653). The Corporation have in view certain exchanges of land in the vicinity, under an arrangement requiring an area of land at the corner of Woodward Street for the purpose of improving the thoroughfare and the grade thereof. A cheque will be forwarded with the conveyance by the solicitors preparing the transfer.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

JNO. R. PALMER,
Town Clerk.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands, Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington.

The Hon. the Minister of Lands.

41034/91.

SIR,—

The Mayor's Office, Wellington, 5th September, 1907.

The Wellington Council, being anxious to obtain a little land from Mr. T. K. Macdonald for the purpose of improving Woodward Street, asked him to make an arrangement with the Council. He made what we considered advantageous terms to the Council, and they were completed. They involved the Council applying to the Land Department for the grant of a piece of land adjoining, and, if successful, passing it over to Mr. Macdonald at the valuation put on it. The Department has valued it at what Councillors think a fairly high price, but as it is Mr. Macdonald's affair, no question is raised on that point. I however find that the Council, once acquiring the land, cannot sell it again; but I am also advised that we can ask the Crown, in pursuance of the arrangement, to make the grant to Mr. Macdonald direct, we paying you the purchase-money, and he paying us. The work is one which we hoped to have done last year, as it is somewhat urgent, and will make a great improvement in the way from Lambton Quay to the Terrace.

May I ask you to co-operate with us in carrying out the arrangement.

The Department has already agreed to sell to the Council at a sum fixed. All that we ask is that the grant should be made to Mr. Macdonald on the same terms, he having arranged to give us what we want.

Yours obed'tly,

T. W. HISLOP.

His Worship the Mayor, Wellington.

DEAR SIR,—

Office of the Minister of Lands, Wellington, 6th September, 1907.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of date the 5th instant, in reference to the purchase of land for the improvement of Woodward Street.

In reply, I have the honour to inform you that careful consideration will be given to your request to have the transaction in question completed as between Mr. T. K. Macdonald and the Government.

I hope to be able to advise you of the action Government will take without unnecessary delay.

Yours faithfully,

ROBT. McNAB.

9443/371.

Department of Lands and Survey, District Office, Wellington, 7th September, 1907.

The Town Clerk, Wellington.

Part Section 488, City of Wellington.

In reply to your memo. of the 5th instant, I note what you say, and will await the return at your earliest convenience of the application referred to in my letter of the 28th June last, together with payment of £653.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Department of Lands, Wellington, 10th September, 1907.

The Hon. the Minister of Lands.

Purchase of Land, Woodward Street.

REFERRING to the letter which you received from His Worship the Mayor of Wellington, under date of the 5th instant, *re* the exchange of land in connection with the improvement of Woodward Street, as Cabinet has already agreed to the proposal, and fixed the price to be paid for the small strip of land in question—namely, £652—if the Wellington City Council pay this amount to the Receiver of Land Revenue to the credit of Mr. T. K. Macdonald, then the Government can grant the area direct to Mr. T. K. Macdonald, instead of the more elaborate process of first issuing a certificate of title to the Wellington City Council, and then the Council conveying to Mr. T. K. Macdonald. If you approve of this course I will instruct the Commissioner of Crown Lands to deal with it in this manner.

WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary.

Enclosure: Cabinet authority attached, 78.

Draft letter advising H.W. the Mayor accordingly.—R. McNAB. 11/9/07.

Hon. Minister of Lands—Reply herewith for your signature, if approved.—WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary. 13/9/07.

Department of Lands, Wellington, 13th September, 1907.

Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington.

Part Section 488, City of Wellington.

REFERRING to your 9443, of the 29th May, as Cabinet have agreed to the sum of £652 being paid by the Wellington City Council for the strip of land required in connection with the improvement of Woodward Street, the Hon. the Minister of Lands has approved of the Wellington City Council paying that amount to the Receiver of Land Revenue in the name of the Hon. T. K. Macdonald, and then you can issue a certificate of title direct to that gentleman, instead of the more elaborate process of first issuing a certificate of title to the Wellington City Council, and then their conveying it to the Hon. T. K. Macdonald. The Minister has himself informed His Worship the Mayor that he has agreed to this course of action.

WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary.

Department of Lands, Wellington, 14th September, 1907.

SIR,—

Re Improvement of Woodward Street.

Referring again to your letter to me of the 5th September, and my reply to you of the 6th September, I find that Cabinet agreed as to the price to be paid for the strip of land in question—namely, £652. If, therefore, your Council will pay this amount to the Receiver of Land Revenue, to the credit of the Hon. T. K. Macdonald, the Commissioner of Crown Lands will be instructed to issue a certificate of title direct to him, instead of the more elaborate process of first issuing a certificate of title to your Council, and then your Council conveying to the Hon. T. K. Macdonald.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ROBT. McNAB,

Minister of Lands.

His Worship the Mayor, Wellington.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," and its amendments, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 18th day of November, 1907.

4013. THOMAS KENNEDY MACDONALD.—12·7 perches, part of Section 487, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicant.

4061. CAROLINE ASTON.—50· acres 3 roods 23 perches, part Section 26, Ohariu District. Occupied by James Salmons Field.

4094. JOSEPH APLIN.—3 roods 39·2 perches, part Section 210, Taratahi Plain Block. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 16th day of October, 1907, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

J. M. BATHAM.

District Land Registrar.

The Hon. the Minister of Lands, Wellington,—Your attention is specially drawn to Application 4013. J. M. BATHAM, D.L.R. 21/10/07.

U.S.—R. McNAB. 23/10/07.

Department of Lands, Wellington, 24th October, 1907.

The District Land Registrar, Wellington.

Part Section 487, City of Wellington.

In reply to your minute of the 21st instant, addressed to the Hon. Minister of Lands, regarding Application No. 4013 relating to the above section, I have to inform you that the Government has no objection to the proposed issue of the title, as Cabinet decided on the 30th May last to approve of a mutual arrangement between the Wellington City Council and the Hon. T. Kennedy Macdonald, by which a portion of this section was to be acquired for street-widening purposes by the Council, in exchange for a portion of the adjoining Section 488.

The issue of a title in this case appears to be the necessary preliminary to the portion desired by the Council being conveyed by Mr. Macdonald to them.

WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary.

Department of Lands, District Office, Wellington, 9th November, 1907.

The Under-Secretary for Crown Lands, Wellington.

Part Section 488, City of Wellington.

REFERRING to your memo. 41034, of the 13th September last, I have the honour to inform you that the Receiver of Land Revenue now advises that the purchase-money for this land has now been paid to him in the name of the Hon. T. K. Macdonald, and a request has been made for the early issue of the title.

As, however, the Wellington Corporation has not yet deposited any application for the land,* I shall be obliged if you will please instruct me whether it should be required to do so, and also under what clause of the Land Act the title to the Hon. Mr. Macdonald should be issued.

JOHN STRAUCHON,

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

* Mistake: he held the Town Clerk's letter.—WM. C. K.

Department of Lands, Wellington, 15th November, 1907.

Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington.

Part Section 488, City of Wellington.

In reply to your 9443, of the 9th instant, there is no necessity for any application being made by the Wellington Corporation. The whole thing was by arrangement, and approved by Cabinet. As the purchase-money has now been paid, the title will issue to the Hon. T. K. Macdonald under section 117 of "The Land Act, 1892."

WM. C. KENSINGTON, Under-Secretary.

9443/398.

Department of Lands and Survey, District Office, Wellington, 20th November, 1907.
The Hon. T. K. Macdonald, M.L.C., City.

Re Part Section 488, City of Wellington.

REFERRING to the arrangement made for allotting the above section to you under section 117 of "The Land Act, 1892," I have the honour to forward herewith a form of application.

If you will please fill in, sign, and return it, steps will then be taken to issue the title in due course.

JOHN STRAUCHON,

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Enclosure: Appl. form.

12393.

[Crown Lands Form No. 72.]

APPLICATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 117 OF "THE LAND ACT, 1892."

Area: 6.55 perches.

Capital value per acre:

Ditto total: £652.

Annual rental per acre:

Ditto total:

Prairie value, at ; total:

Loading, at ; total:

Whether within N.I.M.T.R. limits: No.

NEW ZEALAND.—APPLICATION FOR TOWNSHIP LAND FOR CASH.

To the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington.

I HEREBY apply to purchase acres roads 6.55 perches of township lands, particulars of which are hereunder given, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and its amendments.

Lease or License No.:

Signature in full: Thomas Kennedy Macdonald.

Date:

Residence: Wellington.

Lease or License No. if re-offered:

Occupation: Auctioneer.

Sale Plan: 510A.

Date: Dec. 3rd, 1907.

County or Road District: City of Wellington.

Rev. No. 14128 and W.N. 2067.

Recd. by cheque—

£652 0 0
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£653 0 0

A.J.R., per R. Ld. Rev.

Date: 8/11/07.

Received on Dec. 4th, 1907, at 10 a.m.

RICH. MACCORMICK,
For Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Survey District.	Block.	Section.	Area.	Price per Acre.	Total Price.	Deposit paid (One-fifth).	Remarks.
Wellington City...	...	Part 488	A. R. P. 0 0 6.55	...	£ s. d. 652 0 0 1 0 0*	£ s. d.	

* Crown-grant fee.

Approved.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.
Date: 19/12/1907.

Crown-grant fee,

£ received.

Receiver of Land Revenue.

* Name in full.

PROVISIONAL TITLE.

Notice will be sent when the Crown Title is ready for delivery, and this Receipt must be then surrendered to the Land Transfer Office.

Office of Receiver of Land Revenue,
Wellington, 14th December, 1907.

No. WN. 2067.

RECEIVED from* Thomas Kennedy Macdonald,

[Address] Wellington.

[Occupation] Auctioneer,

the sum of one pound sterling, in payment of Crown-grant fee due on part Section 488, City of Wellington, containing six point fifty-five (6.55) perches, more or less. Bought under section 117 of "The Land Act, 1892."

£1 0s. 0d. Stg.

T. G. WAITT,

Receiver of Land Revenue.

The Hon. the Minister of Lands, Wellington.

SIR,—

1st May, 1908.

There has recently been a sale of land effected between the Hon. T. K. Macdonald and the Government. This land was first offered to the Wellington City Council. It is part Section 48, Wellington Terrace. I would be glad if you, Sir, would be good enough to grant me permission to see the correspondence in connection with this matter. The file was, I understand, recently placed at the disposal of a *New Zealand Times* reporter, so I ventured to hope that the same privilege would be granted to me.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,
F. M. B. FISHER.

F. M. B. Fisher, Esq., M.P., Wellington.

DEAR SIR,—

Office of the Minister of Lands, Wellington, 4th May, 1908.

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of date the 1st instant. I am making inquiries into your application, and will communicate with you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

ROBT. McNAB.

Hon. Minister of Lands.—Section 488 evidently is meant, not 48. Please see 78, 91, and subsequent numbers.—F. T. O'NEILL, for U.S.C.L. 7/5/8.

U.S.—Was the file placed at the disposal of a *New Zealand Times* reporter, as stated by Mr. Fisher?—R. McNAB. 8/5/08.

Hon. Minister of Lands.—Our file of papers has not been seen by any reporter.—F. T. O'NEILL, for U.S. Lands. 11/5/08.

F. M. B. Fisher, Esq., M.P., Wellington.

DEAR SIR,—

Office of the Minister of Lands, Wellington, 12th May, 1908.

Referring to my letter to you of date 4th instant, I have made inquiries into your application, and am advised that the file of papers at the Head Office here has not been seen by any reporter. I would suggest that you state specifically what information you desire, as the question of forwarding you same can be considered. It is not usual to submit the whole file of communications for consideration.

Yours faithfully,

ROBT. McNAB.

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF LAND BOARD MEETING held on Thursday, 19th December, 1907.

The following applications for land were approved:—

Application.	Applicant.	Section.	Block.	District.	Area.	Purchase-money.	Class.	System.
16141 ...	T. K. Macdonald	Pt. 488	...	City of Wellington	A. 0 R. 0 P. 6.55	£ 652	...	Cash.

True extract.—G. WRIGHT. 5/6/08.

The Hon. Minister of Lands.—This is a copy of the Land Board's minute, which covers all that is required by section 117.—WM. C. KENSINGTON, U.S. 5/6/08.

U.S.—File with papers.—R. McNAB. 5/6/08.

Telegram.—Urgent.

Under-Secretary, Lands, Wellington.

Auckland, 6/6/08.

REFERRING your wire 5th inst., regret being out of town yesterday. Remember bringing your memo. re issuing title direct to T. K. Macdonald before Land Board in Committee, when exception was taken, and power to do so questioned, it being contended that title should in first case issue to City Council; but think that, after more than once again reading over to Board your memo., which I fancy conveyed Cabinet's decision in matter, it was passed. The Board's minutes, however, show what was actually done.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner, Crown Lands.

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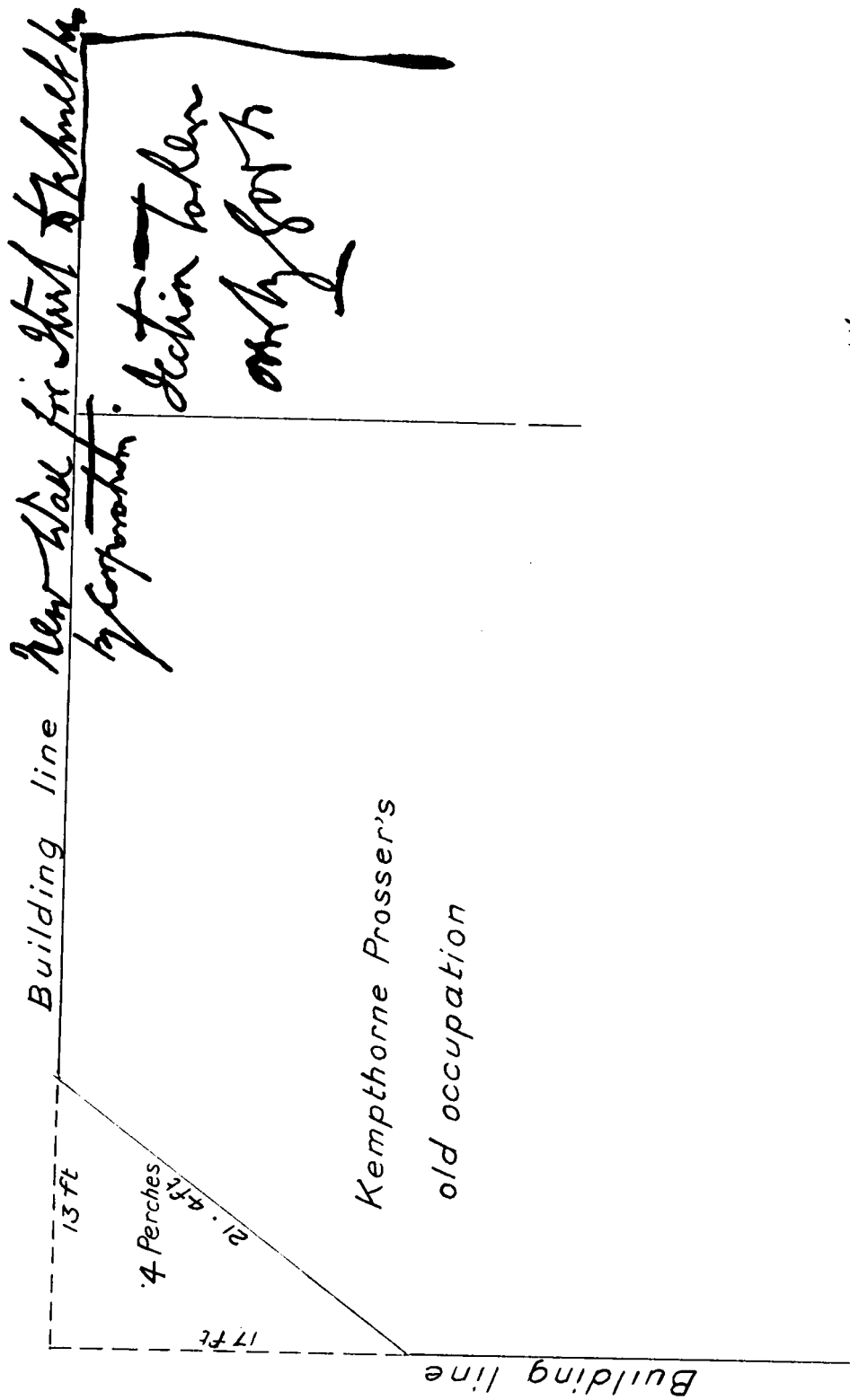
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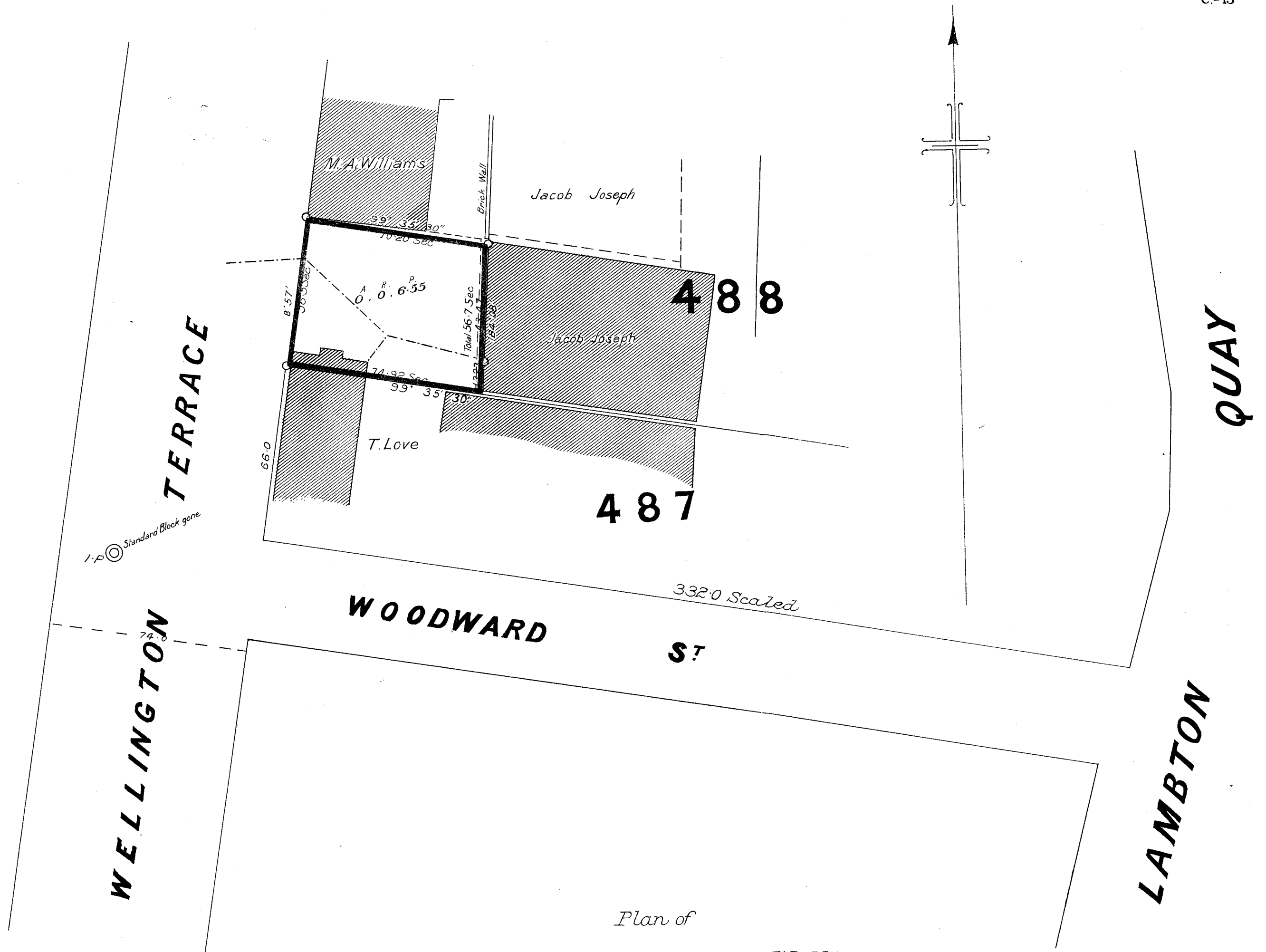
A.B. 29/4/07

WELLINGTON
TERRACE



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SCALE 30 LINKS TO AN INCH.



Plan of
Part of Section N^o 488 City of Wellington

— Scale : 30 Links to an Inch. —

