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A. Ngata, M.P.

PATAI: Koi nei ra nei ture mema o te Paremete me utu nga pitihana e haria atu ana ete mema Paremete utua mai. Riparai. KERITOKE.

A. Ngata, M.P.

QUESTION: Is it the law regarding members of Parliament that payment must be made for petitions which are taken there by a member of Parliament. Reply. KERITOKE.

V 1.

Keritoke. Wellington, 15th September, 1908.
TENET te waea. Kaore tika kia utua mema Paremata mo nga pitihana.—A. NGATA.

Keritoke, Huntly.

YOUR wire received. It is not right to pay members of Parliament for petitions.

A. NGATA.

W 1.

STATEMENT SHOWING COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF ESTATES BY THE GOVERNMENT UNDER THE LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS ACTS.

Estate.	Price paid.			Price asked.			
	£			£	s.	d.	
Ardgowan	34,600			45,890	0	0	
Hatuma	141,393			228,590	0	0	
Kumeroa	29,092			37,390	0	0	
Forest Gate	48,521			55,574	3	9	
Argyll	142,262			184,998	0	0	
Matamata	127,515			157,717	0	0	
Lindsay	95,369			115,878	5	4	
Flaxbourne	181,675			410,000	0	0	First claim, for 56,155 acres.
				335,000	0	0	Second claim, for 45,811 acres.
Waimana	18,592			23,655	5	0	
Tawaha	34,133			72,100	0	0	
Te Arai	113,949			131,229	0	0	
Culverden	121,231			162,637	0	0	
Carrington	39,310			79,900	0	0	
Totals	£1,127,642			£1,705,558	14	1	Including Flaxbourne first claim.
				£1,630,558	14	1	Including Flaxbourne second claim.
				£1,127,642	0	0	

£502,916 14 1 in favour of country as against the prices claimed by owners.

Wellington, 22nd November, 1910.

J. G. WARD.

X 1.

1. SIR JOSEPH WARD submitted request for payment for services as assessor in the Flaxbourne arbitration case of the Hon. T. K. Macdonald, based on a payment of between £500 and £600 which Mr. Macdonald stated had been paid by the Cliffords for their assessor in the same case. Mr. Macdonald urged that as assessor he had saved the country £30,000.

Sir Joseph Ward minuted the request as follows:—

“For Cabinet: I have already personally declined this to Mr. Macdonald, as there is no record of any arrangement with the late Mr. Seddon.

“(Sgd.)

“J. G. WARD.

“20/5/1908.”

In Cabinet. 23rd May, 1908.

Decline payment.

(Sgd.)

J. F. ANDREWS,

Acting-Secretary.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Cabinet minute in connection with the claim, Flaxbourne Estate.

J. F. ANDREWS,

Secretary to the Cabinet.