

Commission when in Auckland obtain correct information as to the Crown land (if any) adjoining and available for a suitable gum reserve in lieu of the Peria Reserve.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. Stewart, That the Totara Extension Reserve be retained.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Stafford, That the Rangitane Reserve be retained.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. Stewart, That in regard to the Kapiro Reserve all that portion east of the main road from Waipapa to Kaeo, excepting a block of 1,500 acres of gum-bearing land, be uplifted; the said area of 1,500 acres being as roughly indicated on the Commission's map, the correct boundaries to be indicated on survey. It was further resolved, on the motion of Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Stafford, That in regard to the portion of the Kapiro Reserve west of the main road Waipapa to Kaeo it be uplifted from reservation, except an area of about 400 acres, including the swamp land adjoining Sections 12, 8, and 1, Block XII, Kaeo Survey District.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. Stewart, That in regard to the Pungaere Extension Reserve the portion west of a line shown on the Commission's map be retained as a gum reserve, and that the balance of the reserve be uplifted.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. Stafford, That the Maungapererua Extension Reserve be uplifted, except a portion of about 640 acres to be determined on survey, to include the gum-bearing land adjoining the residence of Mr. Marsh, shown on the Commission's map.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. Hebden, That the Maungapererua Reserve be retained.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. McKay, That the Puketotara Reserve be retained.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. Stafford, That the Parahirahi Reserve be retained.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Stewart, That the Omahuta Reserve be uplifted.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hebden, seconded by Mr. Stafford, That the Wairau Reserve be retained.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. McKay, That the Warawara Reserve be uplifted.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. Stewart, That in regard to the Punakitere and Mangatōa Reserves the portion north of a line striking due west from the waterfall on the Mangatōa Stream be uplifted, excepting an area of 500 acres north of the Raukawahi Stream, as shown on the Commission's map; also that the portion of the Punakitere Reserve on the south-west corner joining the Paheke Settlement and bounded by Sections 18, 2, 3, N.R. 4004, by a depth of, say, 50 chains, be uplifted; the whole of the Mangatōa Reserve and the balance of the Punakitere Reserve to be retained.

The Chairman read a telegram received from the Under-Secretary for Lands, Wellington, stating that an instrument would shortly be forwarded extending the time of the Commission until the 29th May.

TOWAI, MONDAY, 4TH MAY, 1914.

The Commission held a sitting at Towai on the 4th May, when the following witnesses attended and volunteered evidence: Edward Rowley, farmer, of Hukerenui; Charles Smith, gum-digger, of Hukerenui; George Kent, gum-digger, of Te Mata; William Alexander Kerr, farmer, of Riponui; Frederick Wyatt, farmer, of Towai; William Smith, bushman, of Towai; William Burt, gum-digger, of Towai; James George Paddison, farmer and digger, of Towai; Arthur Dawson, settler, of Te Mata; Edward Brock, farmer and butcher, of Towai.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Stafford, That this Commission respectfully suggests to the Hon. Minister of Lands, in respect to all the kauri-gum reserves as at the 20th March (the date of the constitution of the Commission by His Excellency the Governor), that all dealings in regard to such reserves be suspended until the Commission has furnished its report, whether such dealing be by way of completing their uplifting, the procedure for which had been commenced prior to the date of the Commission, or by way of initiating any procedure authorized by section 46 of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1913, to uplift the reservation from such reserves, and also in regard to any reserves the procedure for uplifting the reservation from which has been completed since the date of the Commission.

KAWAKAWA, TUESDAY, 5TH MAY, 1914.

The Commission held a sitting at Kawakawa on the 5th May, 1914, when the following witnesses were present and tendered evidence: Charles Barker Ross Turner, Government Surveyor; George Lincoln Douglas, of Kawakawa, police constable and Kauri-gum Ranger; Frederick William Goodhue, farmer and flax-miller, of Kawakawa; Vernon H. Reed, M.P., solicitor, of Kawakawa; Ronald Duncan Campbell, Crown Lands Ranger, of Kawakawa.

It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Hebden, That this Commission is still of opinion that the full extension of time asked for is necessary, and that the Chairman be empowered to write to the Under-Secretary for Lands setting out the full facts of the case.