

DARGAVILLE, TUESDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1914.

The Commission held a sitting at the County Chambers, Dargaville, on the 2nd June, when the following witnesses were present and tendered evidence: Peter Brown, settler and gum-buyer, of Waimata; Ellis Reece Ellis, Ranger at Dargaville; Vivian Trounson, cattle-farmer of Maropui, and Chairman of the Hobson County Council; John Joseph Powell, settler, of Taita, and member of the Hobson County Council; Charles Selby, storekeeper and gum-buyer, of Kairara; Walter Coombes, gum-digger and farmer, of Red Hill; Martin Franich, gum-buyer, of Manga-whare.

HELENSVILLE, THURSDAY, 11TH JUNE, 1914.

The Commission held a sitting at the Town Board Office, Helensville, on the 11th June, when the following witnesses were present and tendered evidence: Frederick Herbert De Courcy Power, gum-digger, of Kaukapakapa; Henry George McBride, gum-digger, of Kaukapakapa; John Gavin Shanks, gum-digger, of Kaukapakapa; Ernest Herbert Woodcock, farmer and gum-digger, of Wellsford; James Parker, farmer, of Wellsford; John Ross McKenzie, farmer, of Wayby, and member of the County Council; John Gillies, farmer, of Wellsford.

AUCKLAND, MONDAY, 15TH JUNE, 1914.

The Commission held a sitting at Auckland on the 15th June, at the Government Buildings, Customs Street, commencing at 10 a.m.

The following witnesses were present and tendered evidence: Henry William Sturch, gum-digger, of Swanson; William Forrest Hale, gum-digger and bricklayer, of Henderson; Joseph William Shannon, Crown Lands Ranger, formerly of Mangonui and now stationed at Hamilton; John Hugh Boscawen, Inspector of Reserves, stationed at Auckland; Robert Rowan, Fields Inspector, Department of Agriculture, Auckland; James Trounson, farmer, of Northcote; Samuel Isaac Clarke, builder, of Auckland; Lewis Philip Becroft, fruitgrower, of Port Albert; Henry Paul Kavanagh, settler, of Auckland, and formerly Crown Lands Ranger; James Russell Pirritt, settler, of Auckland; Archibald Whitelaw, gum-digger, of Auckland; James Donaldson Steedman, Crown Lands Ranger, stationed at Whangarei; Francis William Feltrim Fagan, of Auckland; Harry May Skeet, Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Auckland Land District.

At 4.15 p.m. the Commission adjourned until 10 a.m. on the 16th June.

AUCKLAND, TUESDAY, 16TH JUNE, 1914.

The Commission resumed its sitting at 10 a.m. on the 16th June, when the following witnesses were present and tendered evidence: William Johns, farmer, of Parnell, and member of the Auckland Land Board; John George Bendely, Chief Clerk, Lands and Survey Department, Auckland; Harry Dugald McKellar, Chief Draughtsman, Lands and Survey Department, Auckland.

AUCKLAND, THURSDAY, 25TH JUNE, 1914.

The Commission held a meeting in committee at Auckland on Thursday, the 25th June, commencing at 7.30 p.m., all members being present.

Towai Reserves: It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Stafford, That the Towai and Towai No. 1 Reserves be retained.

Towai No. 2 Reserve: It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. McKay, That the Towai No. 2 Reserve be uplifted.

Hukerenui Reserves: It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. McKay, That the portion of the Hukerenui and Hukerenui Extension Reserves west of Sections 19, 20, 21, 22, and divided by the production of the south boundary of Section 19 to the west boundary of the reserve, be uplifted, and that the balance of the reserves in question be retained.

Te Mata Reserve: It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. Stewart, That all that portion of the Te Mata Reserve north of the south boundary of Sections 8, 4, 3, 31, and 9A to the intersection of the formed road, thence following the said road to the west boundary of the reserve, as indicated on the Commission's map, be retained as a gum reserve, and that the balance of the reserve be uplifted.

Otakairangi Reserve: It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Greville, That the Otakairangi Reserve be uplifted.

Opuawhanga Reserve: It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Greville, That the east portion of the Opuawhanga Reserve as described by a line from the north-east corner of Section 32 to the south-west angle of Section 23, and by the production of the east boundary of Section 32 to the south boundary of the Reserve, be retained, and that the balance of the reserve be uplifted.

Parahaki Reserves: It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greville, seconded by Mr. Stafford, That Parahaki No. 2 Reserve (57 acres) be uplifted. It was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Greville, That Parahaki No. 1 Reserve be retained.