

This PUBLIC BILL originated in the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives.

15th November, 1907.

Hon. Mr. McNab.

RANGITATAU BLOCK EXCHANGE.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to provide for the Exchange of certain Crown and Native Lands. Title.

5 WHEREAS for some years past certain Maoris have occupied portions of the confiscated Native lands in the vicinity of the Waitotara River, and have cultivated the same and have erected dwellings thereon: And whereas it is desirable that the lands so occupied should be granted to the said occupiers in exchange for certain Native lands belonging to the said occupiers: And whereas
10 an agreement to this effect has been made between the Crown and the Maoris concerned:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

15 1. This Act may be cited as the Rangitatau Block Exchange Act, 1907. Short Title.

2. (1.) The land described in the *First* Schedule hereto is hereby vested in the Crown free from all rights, titles, or interests vested in the Native owners thereof or in any other person. Certain Native land vested in Crown.

20 (2.) The said land shall be administered and disposed of under the provisions of the Land Act, 1892, and its amendments.

3. (1.) In exchange for the Native land so vested in the Crown the Governor may grant the Crown land described in the *Second* Schedule hereto to the Native owners of the land described in the
25 *First* Schedule hereto, in such areas and shares as the Governor thinks fit in order to carry out the terms of the above-recited agreement, and subject to such restrictions against alienation or other disposition as the Governor determines. Exchange of certain Crown land therefor.

30 (2.) The decision of the Governor as to the respective shares and areas so to be allotted and granted, and as to the persons who are entitled to receive the same, shall be final and conclusive.

Schedules.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

NATIVE LAND VESTED IN THE CROWN.

1. ALL that piece or parcel of land situate in the Nukumarū Survey District, Blocks I and II. Bounded on the north-west by Section 8, Block I, Nukumarū Survey District, 6152·6 links, and part of Rangitatau 1D3, 11518·7 links, to the north-western corner of Section 5, Block II, Nukumarū Survey District; thence in a south-westerly direction, 15549 links, to reserve along the north bank of the Mangapani Stream, following said reserve in a north-westerly direction back to the point of commencement, and containing 237 acres 2 roods 8 perches, more or less.

2. All that piece or parcel of land situate in the Momahaki Survey District, Block XIV. Bounded on the north, 2061·6 links; on the east, 2061·6 links; on the south, 2061·6 links; and on the west, 2061·6 links, by Section 6, Block XIV, Momahaki Survey District, and containing 42 acres 2 roods, more or less.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

CROWN LAND TO BE GRANTED TO MAORIS.

1. ALL that piece or parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, being Section 10, Block I, Nukumarū Survey District, containing by admeasurement 648 acres, more or less, exclusive of roads. Bounded towards the north by Section 7, Block II, Nukumarū Survey District, 6461 links; towards the south-west by part Rangitatau No. 1D3, 1539 links; towards the south by Section 8, Block I, Nukumarū Survey District, 3310 links; and towards the west by a reserve 1 chain wide along the eastern bank of the Waitotara River, 22500 links, to the point of commencement.

2. All that piece or parcel of land in the Wellington Land District known as Puaō Native Reserve, being Section 11, Block I, Nukumarū Survey District, containing 175 acres and 20 perches, more or less, exclusive of roads and cemetery reserve. Bounded towards the north by Section 4, 3103 links; thence towards the east by a reserve along the west bank of the Waitotara River to Section 5, School Reserve, 3250 links; thence along west side of road to the south-west corner of said section, 2100 links; thence along the south-west boundary of the said section, 320 links, to the above-mentioned reserve along the Waitotara River; thence towards the south by that reserve 1 chain wide, 3750 links; thence towards the west by the University Reserve, 5207 links, to the point of commencement.

3. All that piece or parcel of land in the Land District of Wellington, being Section 3, Block II, Nukumarū Survey District, containing by admeasurement 115 acres 2 roods, more or less. Bounded towards the north by Section 7, 883 links; thence towards the east by the said section, 4976 links; thence towards the south by Section 5, 4709 links; and thence towards the north-west by part of Rangitatau 1D3, 8131 links, to the point of commencement.

4. All that piece or parcel of land in the Wellington Land District known as Takirau Reserve, being Section 9, Block XIV, Momahaki Survey District, containing 7 acres 3 roods, more or less. Bounded towards the north-west by Rangitatau 1D5, 2115 links; and towards the south and west by a reserve 1 chain wide along the east bank of the Waitotara River, 2500 links.

5. All that piece or parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, known as Te Iringa Native Reserve, being Section 10, Block XIV, Momahaki Survey District, containing 34 acres 3 roods 22 perches, more or less, including gravel reserve but excluding roads. Bounded towards the west and north by a reserve 1 chain wide along the eastern bank of the Waitohu River, 3750 links; thence towards the east by Section 7, 1310 links; thence towards the south by Section 7, 2866 links, to the point of commencement.