

SECTION 175 Native Reserve Te Haukaretu – Maoribank

Owners & Occupiers = 1846 John Reay - 1846 Frederick Hart – 1858 Native Reserve – 1858 Wi or Te Kumete (died 1868) – 1858 Wiremu Pakata (died 1873) – 1877 Andrew Duncan – 1883 T Pearman (Lessee) - 1887 Marino Rokino – 1890 Harata Kione - 1897 Pirihiara Nguru – 1906 Pirihiara Tarewa – 1907 Katerina Apiphai - 1907 Te Rina Wharataaka - 1908 Pirihiara Nguru - 1908 Tawhi Tuaropake & Others - 1908 Horate te Kiori – 1912 Keno Moses (grandson) - 1912 Pirihiara Tarewa (grandmother)

Buildings – Frank Whiteman’s Homestead was called “Haukaretu” -

Subdivisions & Streets – Native Reserve - Te Haukaretu - Maoribank – Totara Park

Maoribank A local history (publication 176)

On time the whole amount of £100 was paid on the understanding that it was for a grant of the 100 acres river frontage, Haukaretu. Fifty years later Harata remembered the names of those Maoris who subscribed to the purchase.

Name	pounds	acres
Kumete	10	10
Parata Kiore	8	8
Wi Pakata	6	6
Hori Kararu	4	4
Te Wirihana	6	6
Ripeka te Uta	4	4
Te Whana Parapara	6	6
Wiretana Poaka	4	4

These names are those of the uncles and one aunt of Harata who was their living representative in 1906

Hereare te Aonga	10	10
Enoka te Rango	4	4
Watene	10	10
Metera	6	6
Poal te Wharetiti	4	4
Tamati and Tahana	8	8
Winiata te Arau	4	4
Pernara	6	6

This total represents the 100 acres at £1 per acre. The Grant was issued and Harata and her people settled on the land. There is a very clear photograph of the settlement held by the Turnbull Library a copy of which is at Maoribank School showing the whares a canoe on the riverbank and the numerous fences taken around 1890. A scene of Maoribank very different from the scene of today.

TBT COMPLETED by Jack Kelleher c1985)

(Reference Upper Hutt City Library Heritage collection Maoribank A local History publication 176)

1840-1850

Section No 175 Hutt Valley (Upper)

- This Section was selected by Henry ST HILL for John REAY the original owner of Preliminary Land Order No 607
- John REAY Bankrupt his assignees transferred to Frederick HART 06th October 1846 No Regt in England 752 Supplementary Land Order for 75 acres issued in England to Frederick HART respect of this Land Order Mr Frederick HART threw this Section up for Script and Government sells to the Native Te KUMETE & Wiremu PAKATA See the Government minutes 17 June 1853
- Purchased under the Government Regulations No Register of Applications 646 Grant No 1608

(Source Archives New Zealand Wellington reference ADXS 19555 LS-W65 3 43 register of Hutt Valley selections and also outwards letters October 1848 to November 1850)

1850-1860

Section No 175 Hutt Valley (Upper) [1853]

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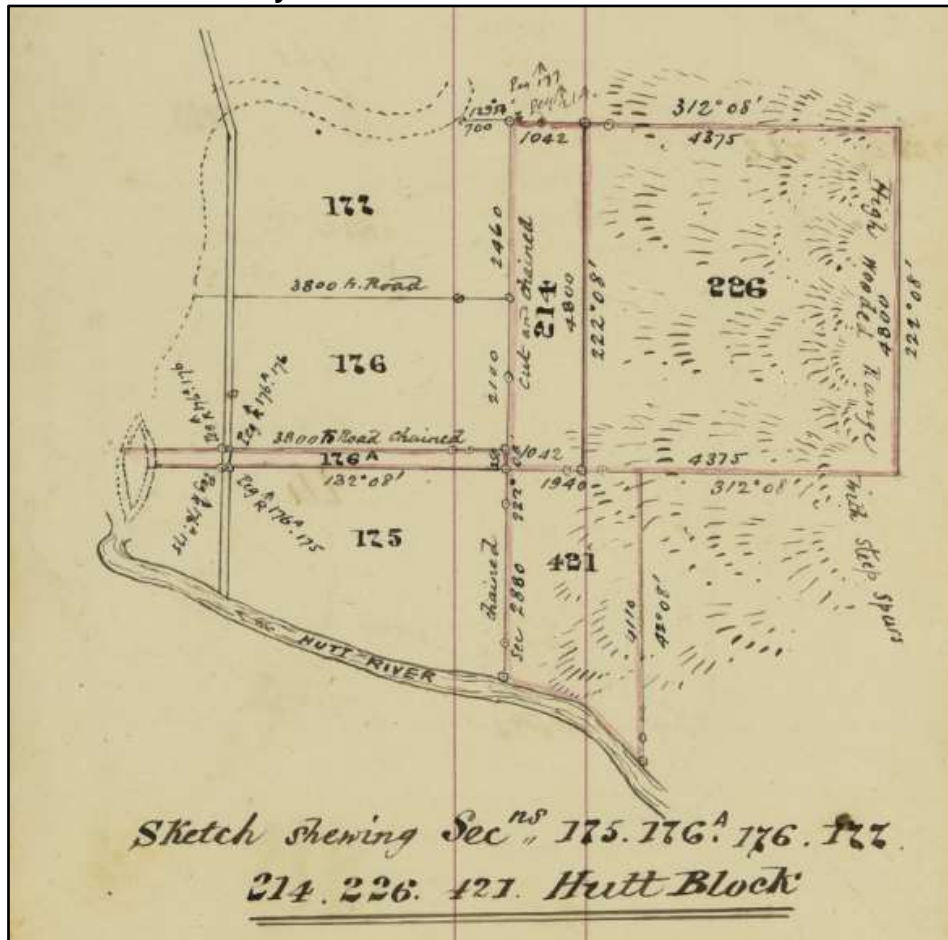
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The Native Reserve Haukaretu Section No 175 in the Upper Hutt district consisted of 105 acres. The Crown Grant purchased under (Land Regulations of 04th March 1853) was dated 06 December 1858 in the favour of Kumete & Wiremu Pakata.

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Survey Field Book – Section 175 Haukaretu



(Reference <https://fieldbooks.linz.govt.nz> Hauaretu section 175 plus WN_0386_0032.jpg)

N.B. Sections 214, 226 & 421 all belong now to the same owner as Section 176 and he does not require any road through the adjoining Sections. There being also in my judgement no requirement for any public road through them. I have not traversed or pegged off any. Section 176a is Crown Land a rent portion of it well cleared and under cultivation and pass by the river of section 176.

(Reference [https://fieldbooks.linz.govt.nz/Hauaretu section 175 plus WN_0386_0032.jpg](https://fieldbooks.linz.govt.nz/Hauaretu%20section%20175%20plus%20WN_0386_0032.jpg))

16 August 1863

To te Ronatana and Bidwell

Salutation to you both to you both Listen Tomorrow the War Party of the Maoris will proceed to Haukaretu and if they meet the Militia there they will engage with them, if not they will await the arrival of Wi Tako. My reason for writing is to let you know I am your only friend but I have nothing in my hand to save us. The thought for us is with you E.R. You must return today make all haste and Bidwell with you to consider some means of sending a letter to Wellington also to consider a way to save us on Monday, Tuesday or any further date. E.R. make all haste in returning an Bidwell with you when the schoolmaster and my child arrives. From me Form your true and ever loving friend – Na Te Manihera

(Reference Papers past website copy of letter printed in Otago witness newspaper 18 October 1905 page 8)

1864s Survey Office Map SO 10985



(Reference UH Map 1860s Akatarawa Te Marua JGillard WNC_SO_10985_I_5.jpg)

One of the owners of Te Haukaretu and Native Reserve Section No 175 was Wi Kumete who died before 27 June 1868.

Wellington Independent newspaper 27 June 1868

Native Land Court – Native Land Court Office Auckland 18 May 1868

Notice is hereby given that at the sitting of this Court to be held at Wellington on the 23rd of June 1868 will be heard a claim of Mere Kumete to succeed to the land called Te Haukaretu at Heretaunga, Port Nicholson Province of Wellington owned by Wi Kumete deceased. A J Dickey Chief Clerk.

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 27 June 1868 page 3)

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1870-1880

Section 175 = Deeds Index Map C Hutt District No 175 Haukareta page 182 (Image 93)
No - Receipt of Instrument – Nature of Instruction – Parties – Date of Instrument – Where recorded – Reference – Signature

Subject to the Provisions of Part XIII of “The Land Act 1908”

- 31.329 – 1pm 19 July 1878 – Convce.un:moety. 2 5/6 of 1/52 – Native to A Duncan – 01 May 1878 – 56 D184
- 31.330 – 1pm 19 July 1878 – Convce.un:moety. 1 ½ of 1/52 – Native to A Duncan – 27 May 1878 – 56 D186
- 31.331 – 1pm 19 July 1878 – Convce.un:moety. 2/5 of 1/52 – Native to A Duncan – 02 May 1878 – 56 D187
- 31.332 – 1pm 19 July 1878 – Convce.un:moety. 4/52 – Native to A Duncan – 03 May 1878 – 56 D189
- 34221 – 12noon 15 April 1879 – Convce.pt. – Native to A Duncan – 17 August 1878 – 58 D547
- 34222 – 12noon 15 April 1879 – Convce.pt. – Native to A Duncan – 08 November 1878 – 58 D548
- 34223 – 12noon 15 April 1879 – Convce.pt. – Native to A Duncan – 22 July 1878 – 58 D549
- 34224 – 12noon 15 April 1879 – Convce.pt. – Native to A Duncan – 31 October 1878 – 58 D550
- 34935 – 11am 01 July 1879 – Conveyance – Native to A Duncan – 24 February 1879 – 57 D223
- 39975 – 12.45pm 16 March 1881 – Crown Grant – Kumete & Wiremu Pakata – 06 December 1858 – 12 G403
- 82228 – 11am 18 December 1901 – Conveyance – A Duncan to Reid & Anor – 06 December 1901 – 135 D347 – (part)

P.R. 4/183 C/T 151/236 for Haukaretu A. C/T 191/157 for Haukaretu B2 withdrawn application 2096

- 100.449 – 2pm 04 November 1908 – Conveyance – Harata te Kiore & Ors to N Reid & Anor – 24 April 1906 – 181 D1
- 100.450 – 2pm 04 November 1908 – Conveyance – Rena Tore & Ors to N Reid & Anor – 15 August 1907 – 180 D161
- 100.710 – 2pm 10 December 1908 – Conveyance – Pirihiira Nguru to N Reid & Anor – 07 December 1906 – 181 D105
- 100.711 – 2pm 10 December 1908 – Conveyance – Wi Pakata & Anor to N Reid & Anor – 06 June 1907 – 181 D107
- 104986 – 3.30pm 26 October 1910 – Conveyance – Katariua Taiaha to n Reid – 01 December 1906 – 190 D2

Certificate of Title volume 253/236 issued for Haukaretu B No 1 (P.R.6/338) Closed

(Reference Archives New Zealand website Wellington Deeds Index AFIH series 22394 W569 1/43 volume 3/1 page 182 scanned image 93)

One of the owners of Te Haukaretu and Native Reserve Section No 175 was Wiremu Pakata who died before 06 May 1873.

Wellington Independent newspaper 06 May 1873

The following persons are objected to as not being entitled to have their names retained on the list of voters for the electoral district of the Hutt

Christian name and Surname of the person objected to “Wiremu Pakata” – Place of abode “Haukaretu” – Nature of supposed Qualification “freehold” – Ground of Objections “Dead”

(Reference Papers past website Wellington Independent newspaper 06 May 1873 page 4 & 07 May 1873 page 6)

SEARCH LINZ - John SIRCOMS 1877 survey field book No 386 page 32

After the two original owners of Te Haukaretu Native Reserve Section No 175 died 39 people became share owners of Section No 175. Andrew Duncan of Wanganui purchased part of Section No 175 from 14 of the Maori shareholders. The land was surveyed into part A for A Duncan and part B for the remainder of the 25 Maori owners.

By Succession order dated 31st July 1877 - 39 persons were appointed to the two grantees of the 39 - 14 sold to Andrew Duncan. Partition was made on 25th January.

Haukaretu A – 45a 0r 17 p to A Duncan

Haukaretu B – 61a 3r 23p to non-sellers

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1880-1890

1880-1917 Haukaretu (Maoribank) Section 175 Department of Land & Survey correspondence Maori that appear in this file are Harata Te Kiore & Harata te Waipae & Parata te Kiore

- 12 August 1889 I have the honour to report that Mr P R Earle has been obstructed while endeavouring to carry out the survey of Haukaretu A Block in term of your authority No of 7319 In consequence thereof I have the honour to request that you will strengthen his hand by obtaining and issuing an additional authority as provided by clause 89 of the Native Land Act 1881 I should be glad of this matter can be expedited as much as possible as Mr Earle is anxious to complete the survey (given one month extension)
- 18 October 1889 note=- No authority has been issued for Haukaretu Mr A Duncan is the sole owner of B. Harata Te Kiore however is not among the owner on the order of the court there are two similar names viz. Harata te Waipae and Parata te Kiore signed C B
- I have the honour to forward herewith plan tracing traverse sheet and correcting triangle of Haukaretu A or Section 175 Akatarawa S D. In this matter an order of the Native Land Court has been made in favour of Mr Andrew Duncan of Wanganui (L B Harcourt agent Wellington) for 45 acres 17 perches. This is shown on the plan produced before the court to be contained between a road through the section and the Hutt River. Upon survey I find that this piece contains only 22a 3r 22 p the balance 22a 0r 35p has been pegged off to the westward of said road as shewn on plan a tracing of which had been submitted to the N.L.C. Judge who will I am informed approve this plan. Old pages of adjoining surveys have been corrected and a good correction made to the district trig. Some opposition to the corrections of this survey was made by a section of the natives and considerable delay caused but by virtue of all extension for one month of the original authority I have been unable to complete it. Signed P R Earl to W A Merchant Chief Surveyor Wellington
- 27 November 1889 I have the honour to return to you herewith plan and tracing of Haukaretu A part of sections 175 Upper Hutt. The corrections set forth in your menu of 23rd instant have been alluded to. I am satisfied that the clearing a this shown on my plan of the line between 175 & 176A are correct the previous Survey was probably made before the bush was felled and therefore at a disadvantage especially as to clearing. The survey is of a subdivision or part of 175 therefore it would not be necessary that the boundaries should be printed out the little areas to shew this clearly, P R Earl to A Marchant Chief Surveyor
- 17 December 1889 I request that the order forms supplied to you for the Endorsement of plans in respect of the above named parcel of land appears to have been engrossed in the wrong form. The Presiding Judge having declined to sign them and directed that fresh Engrossments should be prepared. I have placed plans upon them and shall feel obliged by your having them initialled if found correct and returned to me for further action. This Course has been adopted for the purpose of saving time in preparations signed E B Dicksons Reg. to Chief Surveyor Wellington
- 29 June 1909 the cost of the survey to be borne by the Native owners and the Government schedule 15/6/09 4442 name Haukaretu B, 1 & 2 Akatarawa £61.0.0.
- 05 July 1909 from Middleton & Smith surveyors to Chief Surveyor Wellington Dear Sire, herewith we beg to forward plan traverse sheet one tracing and field noted of part Haukaretu

N.R. Block XIV Akatarawa S D for your approval. We shall be pleased to receive the necessary sanction as early as possible

- 17 August 1909 Plan 1575 Part Section 175 Block XIV Akatarawa Survey District Mr Brown plan received and registered W.D. 2072 – Mr Caldwell for reducing and recording entered on Land Transfer record & County maps The Chief Surveyor for approval 17 August 1909 signed
- 01 November 1916 – It seems that Ida Reid is entitled to an area of 13a. 0r 29p and desires her area to be cut off in the Eastern part of the block with a frontage of 34 yards to the road and running back as indicated on plan. Such area of 13a. or 29p to be called B No 1 Sec A and to go to Ida Reid f.a. as purchaser. The residue 12a. 1r. 38p or be called B no1 Sec. B and to go to the non-seller- or remaining owners.
- 07 April 1917 Account £10.2s.11d. for surveying land by Middleton & Smith
- To Messrs Middleton & Smith Licensed Surveyors Wellington – I have the honour to inform you that your plan No W.D. 3242 of Haukaretu B No 1 Sections A & B in block XIV Akatarawa survey district has been examined and approved signed Chief Surveyor
- 24 May 1917 certificate of Chief Surveyor Haukaretu N No 1 A Akatarawa 12 acres 1 rood 39 perches number W.D. 3242 sum £5.17s.0d. – The Register Native Land Court Wellington
- 28 May 1917 Notice of release sum of £5.17s.0d. of the Haukaretu N No 1 A Akatarawa – The Register Native Land Court Wellington

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington ADXS 19483 LS-W1 101 4442 Haukaretu B No 1 Sections A, B year 1889-1917)

Evening Post newspaper 10 March 1883

Notice – Any person or persons found shooting on Section 175 Upper Hutt District without a written permission from the undersigned will be prosecuted – R Pearman.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 10 March 1883 page 3)

In 1887 Marino Rokino was one of the shareholder owners of part Section No 175B. The land was leased to Thomas Pearson.

1887 - Commissioner's inwards correspondence files

Section No 175 Haukaretu

25 February 1887

J. Marchant Esquire,
Provincial Buildings
Dear Sir

I Thomas Pearson hereby apply for an extension of lease for the period of twelve months from 01 March 1887 to 01st March 1888 of that land situated in the Upper Hutt district being Crown Grant Native Reserve.

The number of the section is 175 which contains 10 (or 107) acres (more or less) and is at present the property of Marino Rokino.

Yours respectfully
Thomas PEARSON

Enclosed please find previous lease T P

C. Grant No 1608 under the land regulations of 04th March 1853

[written in red around the document T Pearson – For an extension of lease Crown Grant N R Upper Hutt 25/2/87 stamped 87/78 1 lease]

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington R25694057 AADS 18197 W310 box1/ N.L.A. 87/78 Thomas Pearson Wellington received 25 February 1887 For an extension of lease of Crown Grant N.R. Upper Hutt District year 1887 = Document scanned and online via Archway)

1887 - Commissioner's inwards correspondence files

Section No 175 Haukaretu

Memorandum

From A Duncan Wanganui

06 April 1887

To Judge Marchant

Commissioner Native Land Administration Wellington

Hereinthe I send the undermentioned certificates and notices under the Native Land Administration Act 1886 in respect of the block of land hereafter enumerated

308 = Ohako part of Otairi No 1D (or 7D) John Duncan dated April 1887 No 308 Judge Certificate notice John Duncan notice.

309 = Haukaretu section No 175 Upper Hutt Judge certificate Andrew Duncan dated April 1887

(have not transcribed the full details of 314, 315, 316 & 317)

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington R25694195 AADS 18197 W310 box 2/ N.L.A. 87/233 Andrew Duncan received 07 April 1887 Haukaretu section 175 Upper Hutt (Andrew Duncan) year 1887 = Document scanned and online via Archway)

Circa 1887 Haukaretu Native Reserve Section No 175



(Reference UH Map 1890s Akatarawa Mungaroa NZDFML IMG_24137.jpg)

1887 - Commissioner's inwards correspondence files

Section No 175 Haukaretu

In the Native Land Court of New Zealand

In the matter of "The Native Land Administration Act 1886" and of the notification made under section twenty-four thereof by *Andrew Duncan* in relationship to land known as *Haukaretu being section No 175 Upper Hutt District*

I *John Edwin [sic] Macdonald* a Judge of the said Court, do hereby give my certificate as follows:-

[1] I *Andrew Duncan* of *Wanganui Barrister at Law* did within three months after the first day of January 1887 notify to a Commissioner under the said Act and to the Chief Judge of the said Court that he claimed to have purchased the share or interest of some out of several owners of land mentioned in the said notification and being a block of land known as *Haukaretu* being section No 175 Upper Hutt District containing 105 acres.

[2] I have inquired into the circumstances of the alleged purchase

[3] The title to the said land was not at the time of the alleged purchase subject to any restriction precluding such alleged purchase.

[4] I am satisfied there had been a purchase as alleged that the transaction was *boni fide* and that its fair value was given on the alleged purchase.

As witness my hand this *second day* of *April* 1887

J E Macdonald - Judge

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Section No 175 Haukaretu

Native Land Administration Act 1886

Notice by a Purchaser under Sub-section (b) Section 25

I *Andrew Duncan* of *Wanganui Barrister at Law* being the person named in a certificate given to me by *John Edward Macdonald* Esquire A Judge of the Native Land Court of New Zealand bearing date the *second day* of *April* 1887 and certifying as therein mentioned do hereby give

notice to the Commissioner under the said Act that I am desirous of purchasing the shares or interests which I have not already acquired in the block of land called or known as *Haukaretu being section No 175 Upper Hutt District* and being the land mentioned in the said certificate.

Dated this *second* day of *April* 1887 (*signed*) *A Duncan*

Written in red on the document No 309 87/233

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This Section originally comprised 105 acres but by an Order of the Court dated 25th January 1889 – 45 acres 0 roods 17 perches were allotted to Andrew Duncan of Whanganui Solicitor for shares to partition amount the remaining owners who according to the Order made in January 1889 number 31 of these it is now stated that one has sold viz No 5, 7, 8, 9, 13, 28 and 31

(Reference Archives New Zealand wellington R24618336ACGS 16211 J1 700 as 1903/1147 from D Fraser Justice of the Peace Pukehou date 22 August 1903 subject Enquiring regarding interests of Harata Keira in reserve at Upper Hutt called Te Hau Karetu year 1903)

1890 - 1900

Harata Kione's name does not appear anywhere in the title [native reserve Section No 175] but I find that in an action in the Supreme Court in February 1890 in respect to this land, Harata te Kiore was plaintiff. Beyond the fact that the successor order of 31 July 1877 entered into the action I cannot say what was the nature of the action or the result. (Signed 24/08/1903)

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New Zealand Times newspaper 19 August 1890

Notice is hereby given that this parcel of land hereafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act 1885" unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 15th day of September 1890

2096 ANDREW DUNCAN 45 acres and 17 perches part of Section 175 Hutt District Unoccupied. Diagrams may be inspected at this office. Dated this 13th day of August 1890 at the Lands Registry Office Wellington – Geo B Davy District Land Register.

(Reference Papers past website New Zealand Times newspaper 19 August 1890 page 3 plus other newspapers)

Pirihra Nguru and other applicants were associated with the Native Reserve Te Haukaretu Section No 175.

1897 - Maori Land Court Minute Book Wellington No 6

Index = Haukaretu pages 216-217

21 September 1897 - No 18 Haukaretu Upper Hutt

Page 216-217 = Application for Partition - Pirihira Nguru and other applicants

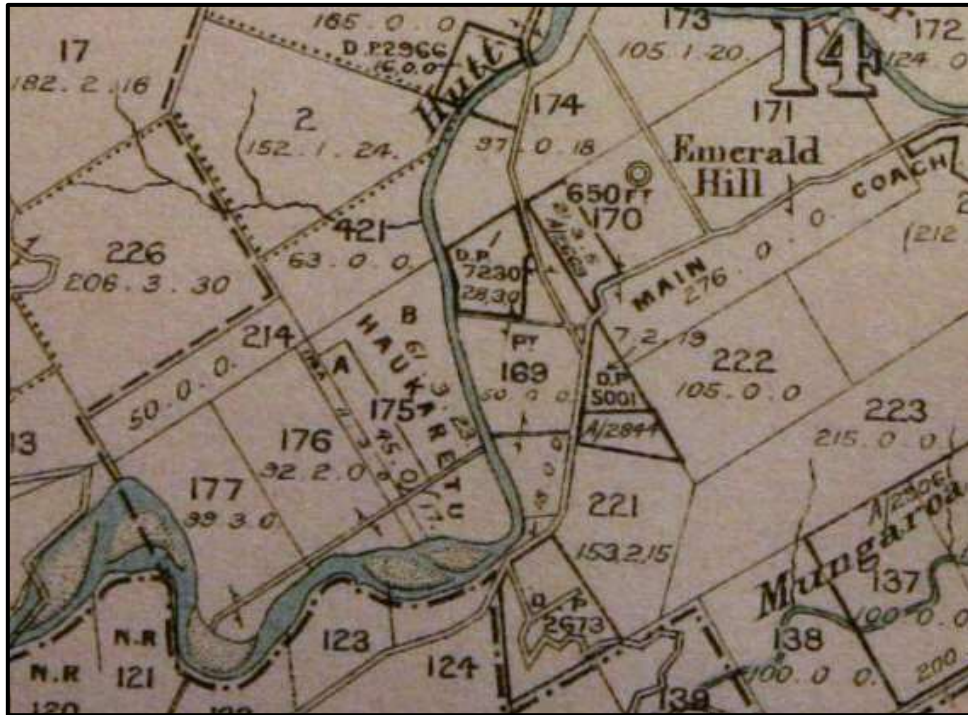
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It was finally arranged that the application should be postponed until the 30th instant to enable List of the names of those who had sold to be found

Case adjourned till the 30th instant.

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1900-1910



Haukaretu B Block Upper Hutt Native Land section 176 (Maori Bank)

- Petition by Nicholas Reid to Russel & Campbell Solicitors Wellington in the matter of The Native Land Court Act 1894 in the matter of a block of land called or known as Hakaretu B Block containing 61a 3r 23p – That your petition is a merchant residing in the city of Wellington – that is desirous of acquiring the interest of all the properties of the above named block- (full page of legal correspondence)
- 29 January 1901 letter – to Under Secretary for Justice Wellington re Haukaretu B Block (Upper Hutt) We shall be glad to hear from you as to whether Mr Reid's petition for an Order in Council authorising him to acquire the interest of the Native Owners of the above Block has been considered by the Hon the Minister of Native Affairs signed Russell & Campbell.
- 01 February 1901 Gentlemen I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th January last with reference to Mr Reid's application to he authorised to purchase the Haukaretu B Block and in reply to inform you that the matter is still under the consideration of the Government signed Waldgrave Under Secretary Wellington

(Reference Archives NZ Wellington ACGS 16211 J1 652 bh 1900/1501 Russel and Campbell Wellington 22 December 1900 for exception of Haukaretu B Block from operation of section 53, 55 and 117 of 2 Native Land Affairs Act 1900 on behalf of Nicholas Reid year 1900-1901)

In 1903 Te Hau Karatu should read Te Haukaretu had 16 Maori owners of Native Reserve Section No 175B. Correspondence stated that the original principle owners were Kumete, We Prat ate Kane, We Pakahu [Pakata] but that they are now all deceased. An old Maori lady Harate Keire [Kiore] who claims to be their successor of 6 of the principal owners for the last 20 years (1883).

Others claiming to have been settled on the land for the last 20 years or associated with the native reserve were Harata Te Kiore & Marino Rakino both of Upper Hutt and Wi Noka & Wharetake & Katerina Urupini & Wi Noka & Henare Te Aonga.

1903 Te Hau Karetu correspondence

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The Hon James Carroll Wellington

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Yours truly (signed) Daniel Fraser

You can get someone to hunt up the title for the year 1850 I understand that it was partly a gift from Sir G Gray and partly they had to pay for it. Some of them interested sold it or a part of it to Andrew Duncan of Whanganui. But this old Lady Harate Karie stopped the sale. That must be 17 or 18 years ago. She has not had more than £20 out of it for the last 20 years. Whatever expenses there may be incurred in getting at the proper position of this Reserve the old lady will pay for willingly. Sorry to trouble you but I could not find anyone more fitting to inverstergate the matter as you.

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Haukaretu (Section 175 Upper Hutt) 105 acres

The title is Crown Grant (Purchased under Land Regulations of 04th March 1853) dated 06 December 1858 in favour of Kumete & Wiremu Pakata – No restrictions

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25 August 1903

Mr Cooper

In February 1890 an action was brought in the Supreme Court by Harata te Kiore I do not know the name of the defendant but the action had some reference to Te Hau Karetu Block. I should be much obliged if you would furnish me with particulars of the action and its results.

F WALDERGRAVE

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02 September 1903

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th August with reference to the claim of Harata te Kiore to certain lands at the Hutt known as Te Haukaretu. I have caused enquiry to be made and have ascertained that the Crown Grant was issued on 06th December 1858 in favour of Kumete and Wiremu Pakata that by Succession Order of the Native Land Court dated 31st July 1877, 39 persons were appointed successors to the two grantees but that Harata's name does not appear anywhere in the title. Part of the land has been sold to Mr A Duncan (45a 0r

17p). I have also ascertained that there was a Supreme Court action over this land in the year 1899. Harata being one of the plaintiffs and that the plaintiffs were nonsuited.

I have the honor to be Sir your most obedient servant – F WALDERGRAVE

(Reference Archives New Zealand wellington R24618336ACGS 16211 J1 700 as 1903/1147 from D Fraser Justice of the Peace Pukehou date 22 August 1903 subject Enquiring regarding interests of Harata Keira in reserve at Upper Hutt called Te Hau Karetu year 1903)

26th August 1903 Supreme Court Office Wellington

Memorandum for The Under Secretary Department of Justice Wellington

In reply to your memo of No and date as in margin [J1903/1147 No 2144 25/08/1903] asking for particulars of an action brought by HARATA Te KIORE in February 1890. I beg to inform you that a Writ was issued out of this office on the 28th November 1889 by Messrs Brown Skerrett and Dean on behalf of HARATA Te KIORE and MARINO RAKINO of the Upper Hutt against WI NOKA, WHARETAKE and KATERINA URUPINI of the Upper Hutt claiming £100 for injuries caused to grass and fences by reason of the trespass by Defendant's cattle on the land of the Plaintiffs at the Upper Hutt also asking for an injunction to restrain the Defendants from further trespass. Each of the 3 Defendants put in a separate Statements of Defence by their Solicitors Messrs Menteth and Stavely. WI NOKA contended that the land did not belong to the Plaintiffs and also that he (Wi Noka) had been in possession of the land in common with others for over 20 years he also denied having caused the damage alleged. For a further defence he alleged that if it could be proved the Plaintiffs have any title to the land they had such title as tenants in common with Henare Te Aonga & others and that Henare Te Aonga had given permission to the Defendants to run their cattle on the land. The Defendants Katerina Urupini and Wharetaka filed Defence practically to the same effect. The action came on for trial on the 14th February 1890 before the late Chief Justice Sir James Prendergast. When after hearing the evidence the argument on the legal aspect of the case was adjourned and finally taken on the 27th August Judgment being reserved. His Honour gave his decision on the 19th September nonsuiting the Plaintiffs without costs.

D E A Cooper Minister

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1906 - Maori Land Court Minute Book Wellington No 15

Index = Haukaretu page 85 & 137

24 April 1906 - In Chambers

Page 85 = Tuesday 24 April 1906 Haukaretu B part 175

Harata te Kiore & others to N & D M Reid

Transfer for Confirmation & signature under section 45

Hareta te Kiore – I own Whitianga No 2 Block I have 50 acres I this land I have shares in Wainiarinu reserve and other lands

Pirihira Aonga I have land in Wainarino about 50 acres I have 6 or 7 acres in Haukaretu 6¼ acres

Above 2 signed the deed & £140 was handed over in Court to Harata & £11 5s 0d handed over in Court to Perehiria

Receipts produced for the balance of the above 2 persons purchased money

Deed intrusted viz page 137

Page 137 = In Chambers 31 July 1906 re Haukaretu B vide page 85 hereof

Wiripo I am sometimes known as Karauta – I know the contents of the deed. I have other lands

Tamata Mahoe No 1 & 2 Wainiarinu No 1 Mouihau No 1 & 2 & other blocks

Deed signed & £45 purchase money paid over

New Zealand Times newspaper 22 August 1906

A Native Grievance – Before the pakeha came to New Zealand Te Rangikutatu a chief of Ngati tama owned and occupied land at Ohariu. Some years ago a portion of this land containing about one hundred acres was divided into four and half was disposed of by the native owners. The remainder has since been lying idle. Last May it was awarded by Judge Palmer to Pirihira Tarewa of Haukaretu Upper Hutt and the following who are her relatives – Harata te Kiore (of Bulls), Ani Retimana (of Waikanae), Ruta Retimana (of Pungarehu), Ritihia Eru te Toi (of

Taihape), and Karawi Tamihana (of Taihape). The Public Trustee however lodged an appeal on the ground that the land was vested in him as a native reserve. The owners above referred to have since been declared to be the beneficial owners and they are petitioning the House since there are no notices living at Ohariu to introduce legislation to enable them to deal with the land as they think proper.

(Reference Papers past website New Zealand Times newspaper 22 August 1906 page 5)

SEARCH 1906 report by Henry STOWELL employed by Duncan REID regarding section 175

1907 - Maori Land Court Minute Book Wellington No 16

Index = Haukaretu page 321-323

09 February 1907 – Hauakeru B

Page 321 Sale to N Reid & D Reid

Mr Flaws – This & next case are in the same portion. I produce a copy setting forth particulars of land The land is purchased land & therefore exempt from M.L. Act 1900 & there are no restrictions on the Crown Grant I produce conveyance of same land confirmed by C J Palmer on the 15 September 1906. Refer you to the papers on connection with that confirmation. I will lodge declaration shewing other lands of vendors.

The Judge – Two Natives Katerina Aiphai & Te Rina Wharataaka claim to be interested as they are still in Wellington I would give them an opportunity to be present

Case adjourned to 12 noon

TBT page 322

Evening Post newspaper 30 November 1907

According to James Brown well known as an authority in the early history of the settlement and the Hutt district in particular the Maori name for the Upper Hutt was “*Haukaretu*” an appellation derived from the native grass in that locality which presented a silvery appearance when the action of the wind played upon it. Mr Brown suggests that should ever a new name be chosen for Upper Hutt some such Maori name should have preference.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 30 November 1907 page 4 & Wairarapa Daily Times newspaper 02 December 1907 page 4 & Lyttleton Times newspaper 03 December 1907 page 6 plus other newspapers)

1908 - Maori Land Court Minute Book Wellington No 16

Index = Haukaretu B page 124

29 October 1908 No 56 Haukaretu B Portion

Page 124 = Wilford & Levi Solicitors for Nicholas Reed & D M Reid

Mr Levi for applicants – This land was purchased by Natives from Crown. It went through as a purchase for cash. This can be seen at Crown Grants office See Sec 8 M.L. Settlement Act 1906.

Case to stand down till deeds required

1908 - Maori Land Court Minute Book Wellington No 16

Index = Haukaretu section 175 page 217, 218

25 November 1908 - The following succession applications were dismissed

Page 217 = 73 Te Puke Heperi Deceased – Haukaretu Section 175 - Not an owner

Page 217 = 75 Ngarurua te Oneheke – Haukaretu Section 175 Not an owner

Page 217 = 78 Mata te Naenae – Haukaretu – Not an owner

Page 218 = 161 Rotohiko te kiriwehi Waitako (name of deceased) land Haukaretu

None of the above deceased are owners

1908 - Maori Land Court Minute Book Wellington No 16

Index = Haukaretu section 175 page 226

28 November 1908 - Partition Applns.

Page 226 = 27 Haukaretu – Pirihira Nguru applicants

Page 226 = 28 Haukaretu – Tawhi Tuaropake & Others

Page 226 = 29 Haukaretu – Horate te Kiori

Land Sold struck out

Evening Post newspaper 03 April 1909

The district he said derived its name from Mr Wm Hutt a director of the company in question. The Maori name for the district was "Haukaretu" meaning "sweet scented grass" the district being so named from the silvery appearance of its grasses. [notes of a speech given by the Postmaster General when opening the new Post Office at Upper Hutt.]

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 03 April 1909 page 9)

Evening Post newspaper 06 April 1909

"Derivation" writes – Sir Joseph War speaking at the Upper Hutt is reported to have said – "The Maori name for the district was "Haukaretu", meaning sweet scented grass, the district being so named from the silvery appearance of its grasses. This is clearly a blunder. No Maori would call a flower odoriferous if he meant instead that it was beautiful to look upon. Haukaretu is a sweeter name than Upper Hutt. What about a substation?"

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 06 April 1909 page 7 plus other newspapers)

Evening Post newspaper 07 April 1909

A correspondent "Derivation" in last night's issue of your paper in referring to the Premier's reference to the old Maori name for Upper Hutt somewhat traverses the given meaning of Haukaretu and while he was right in his contention the interesting information given by the honourable gentleman in his speech is none the less wrong but only badly assorted. The place did get its name from the native grass "karetu" hierochloa redolens somewhat similar to the holy grass of England and being very sweet scented the "hau" or wind cast its perfume abroad and the place was so named Haukaretu. A peculiarity of it was that when disturbed by the wind it showed a pleasing silvery appearance.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 07 April 1909 page 6)

1909 - Maori Land Court Minute Book Wellington No 16

Index = Haukaretu page 365

10 December 1909 No 218

Page 365 = Appln. For survey charging order Haukaretu B No 1 Middleton & Smith Appls. Harold Smith One of firm of Middleton & Smith £10 0s 9p is still due and owing Plan No W D 2072 No Objies., ordered for £10 0s 9d 2% for 5 years from approval of plan
Court adjourned till a pm 2 pm

1910-1920

Becky and Kino at Te Haukaretu Maoribank 1912



(Reference Upper Hutt City Library Heritage collection Becky and Kino P5-34-763)

New Zealand Times newspaper 27 April 1912

Magistrates Court Friday 26 April – Keno Moses a young Maori and Pirihiara Tarewa his grandmother were charged with committing the theft on or about 30th May at Haukaretu near Upper Hutt of an order for £10 19s 3d drawn by W J Howell of Paraparaumu on Levin and Co. The female accused pleaded guilty and the male accused not guilty. Chief Detective Broberg prosecuted and Mr W Perry appeared for the accused. I appeared that the order was a three months remittance from Howell to Pirihiara Tuhura a native lady from whom he rented a farm at Paraparaumu. Howell made the order on Levin and Co Pirihiara Tarewa sometimes got money from Parapara near Wanganui. The order came into the possession of defendants and Moses cashed it at Levin and Co.'s. In a statement made to Detective Mason, Moses said he thought that everything would be all right owing to the similarity of the names. Mr Perry submitted that there was no case to answer as far as the male accused was concerned. He gave the money to his grandmother when he returned from Levin and Co's., and never received a penny. Both accused were ordered to come up for sentence when called upon on condition that restitution was made.

(Reference Papers past website New Zealand Times newspaper 27 April 1912 page 2)

Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 02 August 1913

The only persons entitled to use the right of way to the River opposite "Totara" are the owners of Sections 176 and Haukaretu A. Anyone using this right of way without authority will be prosecuted. For leave to use it apply at "Totara" Charles H IZARD.

(Reference Papers past website Hutt Valley Independent newspaper 02 August 1913 page 1)

"Totara" was a homestead situated near Cruickshank Road in Maoribank and was owned by Charles H Izard.

In 1915 COTTLE was either renting or owned Section No 175

1915 Map of Manoeuvre Area Neighbourhood of Trentham Camp



(Reference UH Map of Manoeuvre Area Neighbourhood of Trentham Camp 1915 IMG_4592.JPG)

1920-1930

1930-1940

Auckland Star newspaper 19 January 1931

To Haukaretu - Wellington people have not the wide choice of pretty country driving roads that Aucklanders enjoy they are so hemmed in and ringed about with steep hills and ranges. There is a coast skirting motor road which visitors praise for its fine pictures of land and sea, albeit the

breezes from Cook Strait are over robust for many. But one main route out of the city has a quiet garden land charm that in places rather reminds one of some rural scenes on our Tamaki plain. This is the way up the Hutt Valley parallel with the Wellington-Wairarapa railway line. Once industrial Petone and the Lower Hutt are left behind there is a succession of little residential suburbs and orchards and small farms for twenty miles or so with the Hutt River the Maori Heretaunga winding through over its gravelly bed. About the Taita and Silverstream and up past Trentham there are places much be haunted by Wellington artists. One painter in particular has specialised in Silverstream scenes and as one goes past it is tolerably certain that the customary cow or two will be there posed in exactly the right place, by the side of a killow-fringed sky reflecting bit of a creek a meandering tributary of the Hutt a group of tall poplars as a background. It is a long narrow valley between the roughly trimmed sheep grazing hills. Some of Wellington's moneyed people have made beautiful homes on those rather rugged places and some professional men retire to the solace of the heights and the bush for their week-ends. I know one very beautiful home a doctor's approached through nearly half a mile of native woodland a jungly mosey fragrant little forest where the fern trees touch fronds over the motor road. Even down in the well-tilled valley there are many fragments remaining of the olden forest that once filled these Heretaunga levels and gave Wellington its building timber for half a century. Here and there is a tall kahikatea tree that the saw-millers fortunately passed over there are clumps of the native beech the tawai with its lower branches growing close to the ground its symmetrical tapering shape and the way in which it seems to arrange itself about the landscape give some of these tawai dotted levels a planted park-like aspect. History has been made here and there along the Heretaunga as in particular that great boulder set in monument form testifies, a couple of miles above the Lower Hutt where a side highway called the Old Military Road turns off. This marks the approximate site of Boulcott's Farm Stockade the scene of a little battle of 1846 when Rangihaeata's warriors laid low several Imperial soldiers one of them that hero tale young Briton Bugler Allen who with his last gasp sounded the alarm. Higher up near Trentham there is an old two-storey blockhouse of the early sixties still standing you turn off to it along a leafy lane where roses ramble along the hedge. Roses indeed are all the way for miles along the main road through this Upper Hutt roses and honey suckle and in the spring the flowering may. And then with the air perceptibly freshening and the dark beech bush covering much of the highlands on each side we bring up at Maori Bank the Haukaretu of the old-time Ngati Awa tribes folk. Here there is a picture that blends bold scenery with the results of generations of Maori and pakeha tillage. The river sweeps round in a great arch between high banks willow bordered that in places rise in a succession terraces. There is one broad terrace low down a smooth velvety pasture land this is the Maori Bank. Long ago a village stood there a thatched kainga of Ngati Awa canoes were drawn up on the little spits of gravel for this was the head of navigation from Wellington Harbour twenty odd miles away. They canoed potatoes and wheat from here to the town eighty years ago and more. Pretty homes are here nowadays. On one wayside dwelling, among its tawai trees and rose beds, the name "Connecticut" betokens it an American born's house it is the home of a veteran retired sea captain. But nowhere appears the beautiful Maori name of this ancient cultivation ground with the river wound about it like a shining sheltering arm. Hau-karetu (with the accent on the syllable "ka") means the wind that brings the scent of the karetu grass. This karetu is a fragrant plant which the Maori women often gathered to scent the houses and to make the aboriginal equivalent of the pakeha sachet. They say that the sweet grass was particularly abundant here in the olden days and that when the breezes blowing down the valley set the vegetation waving the fragrance of the Maori Bank was borne far and wide. Haukaretu it is as sweet a phrase as our "incense breathing morn." - J.C.

(Reference Papers past website Auckland Star newspaper 19 January 1931 page 6)

Evening Post newspaper 22 December 1939

Mr and Mrs Richard Bradley, Hamilton and their little daughter are spending the holidays with their parents Mr and Mrs Frank Whiteman "Haukaretu" Upper Hutt.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 22 December 1939 page 11)

This block of land is now part of Totara Park and a Reserve running alongside of the Hutt River is called Haukaretu Reserve.
