

Interview the Attorney-General personally.
Sir Heaton Rhodes was re-elected president.

NGAMOTU DOMAIN

GROUND BEING LAID OUT.

A FURTHER NEW PLYMOUTH
ATTRACTION.

Many times have passengers traveling in the trams to Moturoa gazed at the heights in the vicinity of the harbour and reflected on the glories of the views they must afford, but until recently few have had an opportunity of seeing those views. For some time past a willing band of workers have toiled on the hill above the Moturoa School, and the transformation of its rough slopes into an orderly-looking garden is nearing completion. Much hard work has been entailed in laying out the ground, but the workers have not considered that aspect in their effort to make the Ngamotu Domain one of the finest of New Plymouth's beauty spots. A great deal of work yet remains to be done, but the Domain Board has been forced to postpone that until its financial resources permit of greater activity. Nevertheless, the work accomplished is very gratifying to those whose ambition it is to see Moturoa with a park of its own.

The commanding view of the harbour from the domain cannot be excelled, and in this respect it is considered a worthy rival of New Plymouth's time-honoured sentinel—Marsland Hill. To the rear of the domain green fields stretch into the distance, and nearby stands gaunt and grey Paritutu. To the front, the blue expanse of water below reminds one that the hill overlooks that historic spot where the founders of New Plymouth landed, and serves to recall memories of the trials of those hardy pioneers. The hill is not without its glamour of romance either, for it stands in the midst of the area which was once dotted with the pas of the Mabri.

The entrance to the park is through a gate of heart kauri, swung between two large and elaborately capped concrete posts. Inside one of the pergolas, which are an attractive feature of the gardens, are two seats presented to the domain by Mr. W. G. Emeny. The work of terracing the hillside is as yet in its elementary stage, but the paths are so laid out that the climb to the top of the hill is not so arduous as might be expected. Near the summit a concrete seat presented by Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Honeyfield has been erected, and there visitors may rest while surveying the surrounding landscape. Ample seating accommodation has been provided through the generosity of Messrs. Boon Bros., and attractive views are obtainable from all parts of the hill. Behind this area is some 15 acres of land which is at present being let for grazing purposes, but which will later be laid out in an attractive manner.

The hill on which the domain is situated is easily accessible from the main road, and the walk from the trams is sufficient to refresh, but not tire one.

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