

Nawa, March 18th, 1862.

FRIEND THE GOVERNOR,—

I salute you. Your minister whom you have sent hither to preach good tidings to us has come hither. He has proclaimed your laws and your policy, and they have been accepted in the presence of all the people.

WIREMU PAKI PAREKARANGA.

FRIEND THE GOVERNOR,—

This is my word to you. There are two things of which I approve, my duty towards God, and my duty towards the Queen. The message ends. A song—

Come hither O Governor, let us recline together,
Let me spread beneath thee the garment of Hine;
We await the approach of the good from without
From the headlands of England, the land of the Queen.

KARAURIA PAHURA.

FRIEND THE GOVERNOR,—

I have approved of your measures and I will enter beneath the shadow of the Queen.

HAMIORA KUHUKUHU.

FRIEND THE GOVERNOR,—

I will enter into your laws.

ERU TE WHANA.

FRIEND THE GOVERNOR,—

I assent to your words. There are two things which I see therein, my duty towards God and my duty towards man.

WATENE RANGI.

FRIEND THE GOVERNOR,—

I salute you. This is my word to you, indeed I have no other word but that. Spoken by Pararuhi. Seconded by me, Te Hemara. I do not approve of the Maori King, but of Religion and the laws of the Queen. Supported by Hamiora Wiremu Karo.

FRIEND THE GOVERNOR,—

We salute you, the man sent hither by God to lay down plans for the guidance of things in this world. Since your coming to this Island, you have taught us the good things which shall cause men to increase upon the earth. You have also sent a person hither to preach that system to us. When we heard of it we embraced it; our acceptance was this, we have been by Mr. Baker the Magistrate, to be a loving friend to him for ever, and to enquire into the causes of confusion which befall the men of this place. Now this is our word to you. Do you be a support for us, you on earth, God in Heaven, although our bodies are widely separated, let our thoughts be ever near each other. May God preserve you for the future.

If you see that these words are good, do you cause them to be printed in order that they may be made known to all our Maori friends.

FROM THE RUNANGA.