

rongo mai koe, ka he koe. I te ata ka hoki au ki toku kainga. Ka tae mai ahau, ka mohio au ka kino, ka tuhia mai taku reta kia Te Patara. He whakaatu naku i te mahi huna a nga iwi, muri iho ka huihuia e ahau toku iwi, ka rupeke, katahi au ka ki atu kia ratou, kia rongo mai koutou, mehemea ka oho tenei kino, kua e whakatika koutou, whakaae mai ana ratou, ka tae ake te reta a Te Patara kia haere au ki te kauwhau ki te Kopua, ki kainga o Te Rira, ka tae au ki reira, ka huihui katoa nga iwi o reira, ka ki atu au ki a ratou, mehemea aka oho tenei kino, kua koutou o whakatika. Ka mea mai ratou ki au. Ekore matou e noho, 10, o nga tangata i whakaae mai ki taku kupu, muri iho ka tukua taku reta ki toku iwi e noho ana ki Kawhia, ko taku kupu tenei. Kua koutou e haere ki te whawhai, engari kia rongo koutou i te kupu a to koutou Minita a te Nakipeke, te taenga atu o taku reta. Whakaae ana ratou, ka tae mai au ki toku kainga, tae noa mai au kua riro te Ope, kua noho ki Maramarua. Kua whiti ake hoki te hoia i Mangatawhiri, ko etahi iwi kihai i kite i te whitinga o nga hoia i Mangatawhiri, kua pahemo ki roto i Maramarua, ko Waikato, muri ano, kua kite i te hoia kua noho ki tenei taha o Mangatawhiri. Ka puta te kupu o te Huirama. Ekore a Ngatimaniapoto a Ngatihaua e tae mai, no te mea kua purua e Wiremu Patena. Ko tetahi take tenei e tukinotia au e Waikato, tetahi take i rongo ratou, kua tuhituhi reta au kia koutou. No konei ahau i whakaaro ai, kaore he kai korero kei te ngaro atu, kua korerotia e nga Minita, kua poto a ratou ako, he mahi nga tau i whakaako ai ratou i roto i nga tangata Maori, kua whakatakotohia e Te Kawana nga Ture pai mo te tangata i te huihuinga o Waikato ki Taupiri, tuarua ka tae ake ano Te Kawana ki Kaitoke ka horahia ano te pai e Te Kawana i reira, nga mahi atawhai mo te tangata. He nui ano hoki taku tohe kia hoki nga iwi ki te Ture kotahi, ka kitea he pakeha i runga i enei akoranga. Ka whakaaro toku ngakau. Heoi ano ta te tangata korero, kotahi atu kai korero kei te ngaro, ko te whawhai. Na koia tenei kua hinga nei nga tinana i runga i te kaha. Kei mea koutou e pouri ana toku ngakau, e taea hoki te aha, me huna e koutou nga whakaakoranga, katahi ka pouri toku Ngakau. Heoi tenei. Muri iho nei ka hinga te parekura i te Koheroa. Ka tupeke etahi tangata o toku iwi ake, tokorua. He kaumatua kihai au i kite o to raua haerenga. Ka purutia e au nga mea i noho. Ka mea atu au kua koutou e whakatika ki te hapai patu kia Te Kawana. Ara, kia Te Kuini. Ka hinga nei te parekura i te Koheroa katahi au ka hoe ki Waikato, rokohanga atu e au, ko tetahi Pakeha e tukinotia ana, kua riro nga paraoa te tango e te Maori, te ingoa o te Pakeha ko Ingarangi (Mr. England) raua ko tana tamaiti. Ka kite au i aua Pakeha. Katahi ka tangohia mai e au. Katahi ka ki mai ki au. Ka mate ranei maua hei utu mo nga tupapaku. Ka mea atu au. Ekore korua e mate, ka riro mai i au nga Pakeha. Katahi ka homai te peke moni ki au £102 : 10 : 0 ko te take i homai ai ki au, mo to raua mate noa ake e ora ana nga moni. Ka mea atu au, ekore korua e mate kore rawa. Ka tae mai matou ki Ngaruawahia, ka haere atu matou ko aua Pakeha kia kite i nga tupapaku, ia Te Huirama ma, muri iho ka hoe matou ki toku kainga. Ka noho matou i toku kainga. E wha nga ra i noho ai ki au, te take i roa ai te nohoanga, ko te waewae i wera i te ahi. No te painga, katahi au ka mea atu ki aku tamariki ki a hopukia nga hoiho, ka mau nga hoiho. Ka mea atu au, haere ki te kawae i nga Pakeha nei ki Rakarana (Raglan), katahi ka kawae mai, ko nga Paraoa i homai maku, na Patara i utu. No te taenga mai o te ope a Rewi ka tangohia te waka, o te Pakeha, i toku kainga e tau ana, te waka o te Pakeha i toku kainga. Ka rongo au kua tangohia ka tikina ano e au. Ka riro mai te waka. Ko tetahi tenei o nga tukinotanga i au. Heoi tena. Ka rupeke nga iwi ki Meremere katahi au ka kaere mai, ka tae mai ki reira, katahi au ka korero ki nga iwi e noho ana ki reira. Ka mea atu au kia ratou. E hoa ma, Whakarerea nga mahi kino, te konihi, te patu i nga wahine, i nga tamariki, i te kai mahi paamu, i te tangata haere noa iho, kahore ana pu. Whakaae ma ana etahi iwi. Ko etahi iwi kihai i whakaae. I muri iho i tenei korerotanga, kua mate he wahine i patua noatia iho

Heoi ano aku korero.

Na tohoa aroha,

NA WIREMU PATENE.

(Translation.)

Three Kings, November 28th, 1863.

FRIENDS,—

My dear friends, listen! This is what I have to say. It was uttered by me before the assembly at the great tea meeting at Auckland.

It is this. I will say nothing about the fighting at Taranaki, because it has been separated by peace; but I begin to speak on this side (meaning Waikato side), at the time Mr. Gorst was badly used by Maniapoto. When all the Ministers came here my thoughts were gloomy; and after them a man named Aporo came to Auckland. When he came here he was seized and imprisoned. When the tribes of the South—namely, Waikato and Maniapoto—heard that Aporo was taken, Ngatimaniapoto reflected that it was just. He saw his error, and still went. Waitere, one of the chiefs of Ngatimaniapoto, came and bid Matutaere not to be excited because Aporo was seized and imprisoned. I, also, went to Ngaruawahia. Some other men went to Ngaruawahia, to Tamahere to Maungatautari, to Rangiawhia, to ask that war should be consented to. All the chiefs consented. When I and Waitere arrived there, I said to Matutaere: O son, do you or do you not consent to this work which is now being done (viz., fighting). Thereon he said to me, Go, return to your place. On that same day arrived the men who went to Maungatautari, and to Rangiawhia. When they reached Ngaruawahia, the Council met and talked about attacking Auck-