

## Enclosure 5 to No. 6.

Whareponga, March 31st, 1862.

FRIEND THE GOVERNOR,—

I salute you, the parent of the two races—the Maori and the Pakeha. This ends—that is to say, this message of affection to you.

This is another thought of ours respecting a Doctor for us, because all seasons are alike sickly to us; at no time does sickness cease among us. Friend, see that they come speedily, that we may soon have possession of it.

From all the Runanga at Whareponga, Ahuahu, Waipiro, Waikawa, Terereatahu, Popoti, and Otuawi.

## Enclosure 6 to No. 6.

Hikupapa, April 1st, 1862.

SIR,—

We salute you. This is our wish. Do you give heed. We greatly desire that a Blacksmith may be sent to us, because our trace-chains break, our draught-hooks snap, and we know not how to mend them. Therefore, we think that it will be well for you to send a Blacksmith for us.

This message ends.

From TIMO,  
RIHARI PAIPA,  
And the Runanga.

P.S.—Be sure to accede to our request, let him be a blacksmith who can work for us.

His Excellency the Governor.

## No. 7.

RESIDENT MAGISTRATE, EAST CAPE, TO THE HONORABLE THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Resident Magistrate's Office,  
Rangitukia, 6th May, 1862.

SIR,—

I have the honor to inform you that it is my intention to start to-morrow morning for Whareponga (a day's journey South) for the purpose of conferring with the Rev. Raniera Kawhia as to the fitness of certain individuals for the Native Jury List. On my return thence, I purpose visiting Te Kawakawa to consult the Rev. Rota Waitoa on the same subject. This is really the first leisure I have been able to obtain to devote to this business, and even now my presence is solicited in another direction.

I trust that I may not be exceeding the bounds of my duty in submitting my opinion for the consideration of the Government. That a Jury List is desirable and perhaps necessary cannot be doubted; but, after giving the matter careful attention, the conviction is painfully forced upon my mind that the majority of the Natives of this district—I may even venture to say the whole—are unfit to be entrusted with duties which require so faithful and conscientious a discharge as those of a Juror.

Their notorious partiality—their unscrupulous disregard of truth, and, so far as others are concerned, of justice—are every day apparent. Perjury of the deepest dye is looked upon by them as a venial offence, only reprehensible when they fail to gain their end. Only a short time ago three witnesses swore most solemnly in Court that a European had been guilty of burglary; he was on the point of being committed, when an inadvertent slip of one of them gave a clue which unravelled the whole plot. Again, in the case of a foreigner who was charged before me with cattle stealing, the principal witness swore falsely more than once, as his own evidence, and his subsequent confession, proved.

With this impression on my mind, the Government may feel assured that the greatest possible care will be taken in forming the list.

I have, &c.,

WILLIAM B. BAKER,  
Resident Magistrate.

The Honorable the Attorney-General.

## No. 8.

ASSISTANT LAW OFFICER TO RESIDENT MAGISTRATE, EAST CAPE.

Attorney-General's Office,  
Auckland, 29th May, 1862.

SIR,—

I am directed to express to you the Attorney-General's regret at the information contained in your letter of the 6th instant, relative to the unfitness of the Natives to perform the functions of