

is no chance of further fighting with us if we return ; the Christian religion is good certainly, but most of its professors are rum drinkers ; let this evil be given up.

*Ihakara* : Listen, I am your chief ; some of the hapus of this tribe have broken loose. I speak to all as your chief ; do not you Hauhan chiefs try to prevent men giving up that form of religion ; cease this disputing.

*Nepia Taratoa* : I agree with what Henere has said ; there is evil with all parties, Hauhaus and Government Natives. The great evil of this day is the public house ; it has made slaves of the tribe ; all are worshippers in that house ; it is for you to see what is good, and to follow that good. I am going to try and get my people to give up drinking rum. We have more to fear from this evil than from Hauhausism.

*Te Peina* : Hauhausism has been evil spoken of, and with reason. I shall give it up.

*Pia Kutia* (half-sister to Tamehana) : Salutations. O Whiti, do you return to our chief ; return to our Ariki Tawhiao. I shall give up Hauhausism. I intend to go to Otaki because two men of this tribe are to be admitted into the church as ministers.

*Ihakara* : I appeal to the men of Raukawa, Muaupoko, Rangitane, and Ngatiapa to give up quarrelling about land, and to live in peace and friendship for the future ; indeed, if you do quarrel, you will punish yourselves, as you have become one people with the neighbouring tribes through marriage.

*Hemi Warena* (Rangitane) : Was glad to respond to Ihakara's invitation to live in peace for the future.

*Huru Te Hiaro* : Had long lived on terms of friendship with Ngatiraukawa ; would be glad to live on terms of more intimate friendship, and that Raukawa and Rangitane should be one tribe having same interests.

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