

Enclosure No. 2.

RAROTONGA COUNCIL.—APPOINTMENT TO REPLACE MAKEA DANIELA.

1. It is hereby enacted by the Rarotonga Council that F. Goodwin be appointed to take the offices previously held by Makea Daniela, and he shall, in future, do all the work temporarily until the Arikis and the Rarotonga Council make a definite appointment for a person to do the work. The Arikis and the Rarotonga Council will hereafter do this.

2. It is enacted by the Rarotonga Council that F. Goodwin, who has received appointment by the Arikis, is hereby appointed interpreter to the Rarotonga Government and the Council.

3. It is hereby enacted by the Rarotonga Council that the salaries previously paid to Makea Daniela shall be paid to his successor, F. Goodwin; also all moneys previously paid for translating and interpreting for the Rarotonga Government and the Council.

SAMUELA,

Acting Chairman.

TINOMANA, Ariki,

Chief of the Rarotonga Government.

Rarotonga, 11th February, 1898.

Enclosure No. 3.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Rarotonga, 17th February, 1898.

On the 14th February, 1898, the enclosed threatening letter was sent to me by the British Resident, my reply to which I enclose. I was appointed Clerk *pro tem.* to the Arikis' Council and Parliament on the resignation of Makea Daniela, on the 6th September, 1897, as the enclosed copy of my appointment will show.

Mr. Moss has always refused to confirm my appointment. Since the 6th September, 1897, I have attended meetings of the Cook Islands Parliament and the Arikis' Council, and have done the work of Clerk, and only now does Mr. Moss write to me disapproving of my doing so.

If I have been guilty of doing an illegal act in accepting the appointment of the Arikis I was not aware of it, and I pray your Excellency to let me know if I have done so.

I have, &c.,

His Excellency Lord Ranfurly, K.C.M.G., &c.,
Governor of New Zealand.

FREDERICK GOODWIN.

Sub-enclosure.

SIR,—

British Residency, Rarotonga, 14th February, 1898.

I warn you to cease further interference with the Arikis' and Rarotonga Council. Should you disregard this warning you will be accessory to any illegal act which may be committed by the Arikis or Council, and you will be proceeded against as an accessory when fitting opportunity shall occur.

I have, &c.,

FREDERICK J. MOSS,
British Resident.

Mr. Frederick Goodwin, Rarotonga.

Enclosure No. 4.

SIR,—

Rarotonga, 17th February, 1898.

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 14th February, 1898.

Please forward the enclosed petition to His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand at the earliest opportunity.

I have, &c.,

F. J. Moss, Esq., British Resident.

FREDERICK GOODWIN.

Enclosure No. 5.

WE, Arikis of Rarotonga, appoint Mr. F. Goodwin as our Clerk for our Government of the Cook Islands Federation; also our interpreter for the translations of the letters we may have to forward to all as may be necessary; also appoint him to interpret in every meeting where the English language will be used.

Signed, acknowledged, and declared our will and desire by us.

Rarotonga, 6th September, 1897.

NA MAKEA, Ariki,
Chief of the Cook Islands Government.

I do hereby certify that the above is a true translation of the original document in the native language on the above date.

A. H. BROWN.