

1907.
NEW ZEALAND.

“DOMINION” OF NEW ZEALAND:

TELEGRAMS FROM SOUTH ISLAND MAORIS CONGRATULATING THE PREMIER UPON THE
ELEVATION OF THE COLONY.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 16th October, 1907.

Ordered, “That there be laid before this House a return showing the congratulatory telegrams despatched to the Right Honourable the Premier by the Maoris of the South Island upon the elevation of the status of New Zealand from ‘colony’ to ‘Dominion’ on the 26th day of September, 1907.”—(Mr. PARATA.)

TELEGRAMS.

From H. Tare Tikao, Lyttelton, to Premier, Wellington.

25th September, 1907.

THE people of Rapaki join in prayer for God's blessing upon King Edward's new Dominion. Long may you live as her first Prime Minister, and be permitted to rejoice in the continuance and increase of her prosperity! Kia ora.

H. TARE TIKAO.

Hon. J. G. Ward, Wellington.

Hapuku, 26/9/07.

Kia ora to the Premier of the colony, together with your fellow-Ministers. Kia ora, kia ora the Premier for the new name of New Zealand. Kia ora.

IHAIA TE AWANUI.
MATENE RAWIRI.

Sir J. G. Ward, Wellington.

Blenheim, 26/9/07.

To the solid supporting pillar of the huge fish of New Zealand. Greetings to you. We have assembled here to celebrate the day upon which the Dominion of New Zealand was anointed (proclaimed). We congratulate you upon the day on which the Dominion was baptised, and the name “Colony of New Zealand” caused to cease. Kia ora to you under the protecting power of our exalted sovereign King Edward the Seventh.

ROORE PUKEKOHATU.

Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, Premier, Wellington.

Morven, 27/9/07.

THE Waihao assembly (runanga) met in the *marae* (open space in village) on Thursday, the 26th instant, to celebrate the baptism of the new (name) “Dominion” for New Zealand. Let (New Zealand) advance on its mana, so that its name may be honoured, together with that of yourself and members of the Government and the members of the House and Council for being so strong in dealing with this great matter.

Kia ora also to the members of the Opposition. We will always honour this name (Dominion).

HOHEPA PENEAMINE,
H. D. MAIRE,
on behalf of the Assembly.

To the Premier, Wellington.

Otakou, 27/9/07.

GREETINGS to you and your rangatira thoughts. Kia ora to you, administering affairs for the benefit of the Maori race in the new baptism of the Dominion of New Zealand.

May God protect you!

MATIU ERUETI.

To Tame Parata, Wellington.

Motueka, 27th September, 1907.

MAY the blessing of God rest upon King Edward and the Premier for the new name of New Zealand.

HUTA PARK.

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