

without force, our policy cannot become, what it should be, "perfectly open, and friendly, and straightforward," but will remain timid and shifty; that we can never "deal with the Natives as our fellow subjects" until they become such, not in name only, but in deed. NATIVE AFFAIRS.

143. If the hope of such a consummation is not to be abandoned, the Governor must be enabled to maintain the just and safe position which he has assumed upon the Waitara question, and a mistaken enthusiasm must not be suffered to compass the ruin of the Colony, and the ultimate destruction of the Maori people. To have saved and civilized the Native Race, would, deserve to be reckoned amongst the highest achievements of a Christian civilization. Sir William Martin assumes that success in this great work lies in our power. It may be so. This, at least, is certain, that success will require the exercise of the active, as much as of the passive virtues, and that acquiescence in the anarchy of a Race which we have undertaken to govern, may be as selfish, and almost as shameful, as tyranny itself.

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