

I beg to add that the prisoners were taken without bloodshed or fighting.
 I trust the course I have taken in this matter will meet with the approval of the Lieut.-General
 Commanding. I have, &c.,
 The Deputy Quartermaster-General, Colonel H. H. GREER,
 Head Quarters. Commanding Tauranga District.

[TRANSLATION.]

Tauranga.

To WILLIAM MARSH and all the CHIEFS of the ARAWA,—

Greeting. I have heard that Hori Tupaea and the impostor Te Tiu Tamahana have proceeded towards the East Cape. It is probably their intention to correspond with the enemies of the Arawa and of the English with a view to mischief. Now this is my word to you: when they go into your country catch them, and fetch them up to me. Do not fail in this matter.

From your friend,
 H. H. GREER,
 Commanding Tauranga District.

Enclosure 3 to No. 23.

Colonel GREER to the DEPUTY QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

Camp Te Papa, 11th February, 1865.

SIR,— I beg to add to the foregoing report, that, in concert with Mr. Clarke, Civil Commissioner, we decided that the remainder of the prisoners who were left at Maketu last night (about forty-five or fifty) consisting of women and men of no importance, should be liberated.

I enclose a letter addressed to His Excellency the Governor by Hori Tupaea. I consider his submission and the arrest of Te Tiu Tamihana will establish peace, and put out Pai Marire here. The latter individual is, I am quite sure, ready to make any submission that may be required of him, to get himself out of the unpleasant position he is now in. They all seem quite subdued.

The Deputy Quartermaster-General.
 Head Quarters.

I have, &c.,
 H. H. GREER,
 Colonel Commanding District.

[TRANSLATION.]

HORI KINGI TUPAEA to His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

To the GOVERNOR,—

Te Papa, 11th February, 1865.

Friend, salutations. Know you that I have arrived at Te Papa, and the Colonel and myself have talked together.

The Colonel has asked me my thoughts and intentions.

I told him that I had now no intentions (opposed to the Government); that I considered that my fault had been expiated by my being brought (prisoner) to Te Papa; that for the future I would return to my old allegiance to the Governor. I shall remain here (not go inland again).

The Colonel answered my word thus: "I will hold (rely upon) that word of yours, because it is the word of a chief."

Now, O friend, I am awaiting a word from you.

Here also is a word about the request of Ngaiterangi made to the Colonel respecting myself and my fellow-prisoners, that we should remain here and not go to Auckland. My request is the same: allow us to remain here.

My words to you are ended.

From your friend,
 HORI KINGI TUPAEA.

To Sir George Grey, Government House,
 Auckland.

Enclosure 4 to No. 23.

The CIVIL COMMISSIONER, Tauranga, to the Hon. the NATIVE MINISTER.

SIR,—

Civil Commissioner's Office, Tauranga, 11th February, 1865.

In my report of the 4th instant, I informed you that Hori Tupaea and Te Tiu Tamihana were actively engaged in propagating the Pai Marire superstition, and that their efforts were attended with considerable success. They were then in the neighbourhood of Maketu.

Colonel Greer, the officer commanding Her Majesty's forces in this district, viewing the Pai Marire as a system set up in direct antagonism to the Queen's Government, determined to check the spread of this hostile fanaticism to the Eastward, and caused a letter to be written to the Arawa chiefs requesting them to stop the progress of these men, and if they attempted to force their way through the Arawa country to apprehend them and bring them in to him.

Hori Tupaea and Tiu Tamihana, in defiance of all the Arawa remonstrances, were determined to go through the Arawa country, and the consequence was that Hori Tupaea, Tiu Tamihana (who had been described as being all-powerful), with a large retinue, were intercepted at Te Rotoiti and taken prisoners. Mr. Rice, the acting interpreter to the military forces happened to be at Maketu at the time the news of the capture arrived; he, with praiseworthy diligence, immediately set out for the Rotoiti, his principal object being to shield Hori Tupaea and the other prisoners from the insults of Te Arawa. Hori Tupaea speaks gratefully of Mr. Rice's protection.

The principal prisoners arrived at the camp, Te Papa, this morning, after a weary march of thirty-eight miles. Immediately on the arrival of Hori Tupaea, all the most influential of the Tauranga chiefs had an interview with Colonel Greer, to beg of him not to send Hori Tupaea and the other prisoners on to Auckland, but to allow them to remain here until the Governor's pleasure was known.