

from the appearance of the wound on Sullivan's body I think the shot must have been fired at him within a distance of fifteen yards, his shirt having a singed appearance.

Harry T. Owen, sworn—On last Wednesday morning, the 23rd April, I received verbal notice from a Maori boy, telling me that Hauhaus were lost or missing; I asked how many there were, and he told me two; he said their names were Paora and Pou or Poutururu or Pere or Bell; on my road home same day, I told Mr. Jones what I had heard; the boy's name who told me is Puna; we have been cautioned so often by Natives that we take no notice of it; I listen to all reports, but I only believe a few that is from the Natives that I think I can depend upon; I have been about amongst the Natives for the last ten years; in all the cautions I have received I never heard any particular names mentioned; I may also add that at the meeting at Aratitaha shortly after the attack on Laney, the Natives reported to me Manawhiri had sent word that any attack on the Europeans by them was their own act and on their own account.

Robert Kirkwood, sworn—About two weeks ago, I think on the 10th, I was playing cricket in Cambridge, a Native (elderly) came up to me and saluted me; I don't know his name; he told me his name, but I have forgotten it; he said, "I have something to say to you;" he said to me some Europeans here will be killed shortly; I laughed at him, and he said it is true; I asked him who was going to kill; then he said the Hauhaus, they will murder but not fight; I asked him when it would take place, and he pointed with his hand as I thought towards Walker's station, and said it might be there or there, pointing to Buckland's station, or there, pointing towards Firth's station; I made light of what he said, but he replied, "You will think of what I have said when I am gone away;" this man was a Hauhau, I know it—he told me so himself.

Turika te Kura, sworn—A man named Matinga came to me from Aratitaha, and said to me, "Tell Jones to be careful;" he said the Natives had determined to kill him; he repeated this as true; I came to Cambridge and sent a boy of mine to Jones, and to tell him to come into Cambridge, that I was there and wished to see him; Jones came that evening; I saw him at Pearson's, and he asked me what I had sent for him for; I then told him what I had heard, and told him to sleep at Ngatika, and to come out every day, and to carry a gun; Matinga told me that the danger was from Aratitaha people, and not from the Hauhaus generally; I did hear, shortly after the attack on Laney by the Natives, that Manuhiri had sent some Natives to Aratitaha to remove the Natives from there; the Aratitaha Natives refused to go (to leave); I know Poutururu, he lives at Aratitaha; Whira and Paora are also Aratitaha Natives; Mohi or Purukutu lives near to Wharepapa, at Hinahoi: he aids or abets the bad Natives; he ordered the murders; it was on Wednesday, the 23rd, that Te Matinga came to me.

W. H. SEARANCE, R.M.,
Coroner.

VERDICT—"That Timothy Sullivan has been wilfully and brutally murdered by Pere te Poutururu and three other Natives, names unknown, but one supposed to be a Native named Whira and another named Paora; and that the Government be requested to adopt such measures as will effectually prevent the recurrence of such horrible outrages."

Enclosure G.

Mr. R. E. M. CAMPBELL to JAMES MACKAY, Jun.

SIR,—

Hamilton, 16th May, 1873.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, and to state that, in compliance therewith, I shall desist from any further operations on the land claimed by Te Kepa Ringatu. In justice to myself, however, I beg to state that the land has been through the Native Lands Court, and a Crown Grant issued; that Te Kepa is not one of the grantees; that I have been informed that he has never received from the grantees any portion of the rental; that I went on the land at the request of the lessee, and in company with one, and with the consent of nine-tenths of the grantees.

I have, &c.,

R. E. M. CAMPBELL,
Licensed Surveyor, Hamilton.

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General Government Agent, Cambridge.