

Wiremu Katene.
 March 25, 1879.

1837. Is he friendly to Mr. Williams yet?—Yes, though living at a distance.
 1838. No. 2 (Pene Tau): Where does he live? How far from Waimate?—Three or four miles.
 1839. Is he a man of note?—Yes; he is a chief.
 1840. Is he friendly to Mr. Williams?—Yes, a friend of Mr. Williams.
 1841. Is he a friend of Mr. Lundon's?—At the time Sir George Grey sent a letter to Heta te Hara they were not friendly towards Mr. Williams, because this man belonged to Heta te Hara's people.
 1842. No. 3 (Eru Waikeri): How far does he live from Waimate?—Perhaps six miles.
 1843. Is he a friend of Mr. Williams?—Yes, he is a friend of Mr. Williams.
 1844. And Mr. Lundon's also?—I do not know his feelings towards Mr. Lundon.
 1845. How do you think he would vote if it came between Mr. Williams and Mr. Lundon?—I do not know. They are all confused now. Confusion has been caused among them.
 1846. No. 4 (Kahi Tau): How far is his place from Waimate?—Three or four miles.
 1847. What are his feelings towards Mr. Williams and Mr. Lundon?—I cannot say, because this letter of Sir George Grey's has interfered. Both these people belong to Heta te Hara's people.
 1848. *Mr. Williams.*] Do you know Wiremu Kemara?—I do know him.
 1849. How far does he live from the Waimate?—It may be about twelve miles.
 1850. Is he a man of note in the district?—Yes.
 1851. How are his feelings towards Mr. Williams and Mr. Lundon?—He is a staunch friend of Mr. Williams, because when Mr. Williams, sen., was living Kemara, his father, was living, and a friend of his also.
 1852. Do you know Henare Piri?—Yes, I know him.
 1853. Is he a man of any influence in the district?—Yes.
 1854. How far does he live from Waimate?—It may be nine or twelve miles.
 1855. How far does he live from Pakaraka?—Perhaps about three miles.
 1856. Has he not always been an intimate friend of our family?—He has been a staunch friend of yours: a father or parent to the Williams family.
 1857. Do you know Timati Pukututu?—Yes.
 1858. Are he and his father friends of the family?—Yes.
 1859. Do you know Piri Hongo?—Yes.
 1860. Is he a man of any influence in the district?—He is the mouthpiece of Ngapuhi in that district.
 1861. Is he a friend of the family, and how many years has he been so?—He was one of their principal friends after Hone Heke's war. He was Hone Heke's companion during the war.
 1862. Do you know Kopeka?—Yes.
 1863. Is he the son of a chief?—Yes; he is the son of one of the chiefs.
 1864. Do you know where he lives?—Yes.
 1865. Where?—He lives at Pakaraka. His employment is that of a shepherd for Mr. Williams.
 1866. Do you know Horoe Morunga?—Yes; he is an uncle of Rihari Hangarau.
 1867. Is he a friend of the family?—Yes.
 1868. How long has he been known to the family?—A very long time. When I was a boy Horoe Morunga lived with them. He is a very old man now.
 1869. *The Commissioner.*] Were these names which Mr. Williams has gone over objected to by Mr. Williams as Registration Officer?—Yes; they were all thrown out or struck off the roll. Henare Piri's name is the only one placed on the roll again, as a ratepayer in connection with the County Council.
 1870. Have they got land under Crown grant?—Yes; they have Crown grants.
 1871. *Mr. Lundon.*] How many miles is Ohacawai from Waimate?—I think it is three or four.
 1872. How many is it from Ohacawai to Kaikohe?—It may be three or four.
 1873. If I said that Kaikohe was eight miles from Waimate, would that be true?—It may be true.
 1874. Is Heta te Hara not a big chief at Ohacawai?—He is one of the principal chiefs at Ohacawai.
 1875. Do you know that he is objected to on that list of objections?—Yes.
 1876. Has he got a Crown grant?—Yes. I am not certain he has been objected to; I have merely heard he was objected to.
 1877. Has he not a number of Crown grants?—Yes.
 1878. And has he not as big a right to be on the roll as yourself?—Yes.
 1879. You were not objected to?—I do not know whether my name was objected to or not.
 1880. Which would you sooner vote for—Mr. Williams or Mr. John Lundon?—If the ballot papers were shown—if I were to vote for any one, I should not show who I voted for.
 1881. What political feeling has Heta te Hara?—His feelings are known, because he made them known openly to Mr. Sheehan when he came to Ohacawai, that he disliked having anything to do with missionaries.
 1882. *The Commissioner.*] But in respect to his politics, not of religion?—His feelings are the same way.
 1883. When he said he disliked missionaries, you understood him to mean that he would vote against them?—Yes.
 1884. *Mr. Lundon.* Do you know for what reason Heta te Hara is objected to, and yourself left on the roll?—I do not know the reason.
 1885. Do you know the reason why other Natives at Waimate were not objected to?—I do not.
 1886. Do you know Hirini Taiwhanga?—Yes.
 1887. Whom is he likely to vote for, do you think?—He would not vote for Mr. Lundon.
 1888. Would he vote for Mr. Williams?—I do not know. Perhaps he might not vote at all.
 1889. Do you know why he is objected to?—It is for you to judge. Perhaps he has a Crown grant.