

And I require you to pay the same at Rarotonga on or before the 20th July, to me, in my office in Avarua, or such farther penalties will be laid upon you as your contumacy may render advisable.

Given under my hand, at the British Residency, the 24th day of June, 1891.

FREDERICK J. MOSS, British Resident.

Enclosure No. 2.

British Residency, Rarotonga, 24th June, 1891.

To the Chiefs and People of Mangaia.

On the 10th June I sent a letter by Ngatama asking you to send to me at Rarotonga some one to speak for you, as I intended to adjudge what money should be paid to Pearse and to Donald and Edenborough for your putting Pearse by force off the island on the 25th August last, and for stopping Donald and Edenborough's business, of which he was in charge. I have waited in order to be sure that Ngatama had given my letter to you; and, having now heard from him that those to whom it was addressed refuse to come or to send any one to represent them, I proceed to give my judgment, and order that you shall pay the sums mentioned in the public notification sent with this letter, and which will be posted for public information in Mangaia.

The sum you are to pay is \$1,390 for damages sustained by Donald and Edenborough and Pearse. I have put these at the lowest sum, and you must pay it in full. I have added a fine of \$1,000 for laying hands upon and forcibly expelling one of Her Majesty's subjects. This fine is the lowest that the offence deserves. You knew Pearse was working for Donald and Edenborough, yet you never complained to them and never asked them to change him for another manager.

You acted throughout as if you could do as you pleased, and without the least consideration for others or for the loss and suffering you brought upon them. You tyrannically extorted many hundreds of dollars from your own people, which you called fines, for dealing at the store in Pearse's charge. You wickedly and cruelly put them out of the church and subjected them to disgrace and isolation as unworthy members, and this wicked thing you did for what your missionary could have told you was no sin against God or His laws. Your fine might well be much heavier, but I still believe that you were acting from ignorance and not from a bad heart; therefore I have made it as small as it could be made if a fine is to be inflicted at all.

And now I wish to give you still an opportunity of ending this trouble. You will remember how strongly I urged you on the 25th November last, when at Mangaia, to re-open the store at once. Donald and Edenborough and Pearse were both willing then, as they told you in my presence, to forego any claim at all. You were obstinate, and let me go to New Zealand without settling. I am again going to New Zealand on the 20th July. I cannot release you from one farthing of the compensation. That you must pay in full. But if, before I leave for New Zealand, you send up the money for the compensation (\$1,390), or, if you cannot do that, send some one to arrange with Donald and Edenborough to give you time for the payment, I will accept that as a proof of repentance for the wrong you have done, and will take upon myself the responsibility of relieving you of the fine of \$1,000. But you must clearly understand that if you continue to be foolish and obstinate you will be compelled to pay the full amount (\$2,390), and such further sum as your contumacy may render necessary. Enough.

From your friend,

FREDERICK J. MOSS, British Resident.

Enclosure No. 3.

RAEA'S REPORT OF HIS TRIP TO MANGAIA.

AITUTAKI was the first island we visited after leaving Rarotonga, and I found no trouble there. Left Aitutaki for Atiu, landed Mrs. Scard, and left the same day without communicating with the shore. Our next island was Mauke; it took us one day to get there from Atiu, and we found no trouble there. We remained four days at the island, and then went to Mitiaro; found no trouble there; stayed there for a day, then proceeded on to Mangaia. We had south-east and south-west winds all the way going across, and it took us twelve days to get there. I went ashore on the 14th July, and did nothing that day. I sent messengers for Ngariu of Tamarua and the Governors of Oneroa and I myself went for Vaipo, and told them to get ready for a meeting on the 15th July. I explained to Vaipo my mission. He accepted me and was very glad. He also told me that he would help those that were fined, and his people would also help them. He also said that "if he did not attend the meeting he would keep to his promise." I then returned to Oneroa. Next morning I waited for the Tamarua people, and about midday we had a meeting. The Governor of Tamarua and his people were there. We had prayers, and after that I explained to them my mission. Ngariu stood up and told me to stop, and told me that he was ruler of his own land and not Mr. Moss; the Mangaian Government is my Government. Miringatangi then stood up and said, "These are not Mr. Moss's fines, but Tiani and Vaipo's, and we will not agree to it." Then Ngariu called out, "Go and bring those people here and we will kill them." Again I explained to them, and they would not listen. I gave them the papers, but Ngariu objected, and Rakia threw them at me. I then said unto him, "My son, what did you do that for?" and he said, "Take your papers back." I again gave the papers to Tearo, but still they would not accept them, and Ngariu again called out, "Bring those people here that we may kill them." Tinaiti, one of the rangatiras, called out, "Tie them up." They tried to tie Ngatama, but did not succeed. Ngariu shouted out again, "Moss is not ruler of my land," and Ellacott, captain of the vessel, said to me, "That is enough, you told them your mission from Mr. Moss and they will not listen." We then came away, and they adjourned to Mr. Harris's, the missionary, to have their meeting. Through our coming away I did not know the result of it.