

sent at once, and do not refuse my word, let them come in this month, that is in July, but yours in the thought you have the soldiers, let them be sent soon.

This is all from your

Son in love to you,

From TAMATI WIREMU,
Te Ngahuru.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 15th August, 1854.

Sir,—

Mr. Cooper the Sub-Commissioner for the purchase of native lands at New Plymouth, having reported to Mr. McLean the occurrence of a very serious affray between two parties of natives in the neighbourhood of Taranaki. I have been directed by his Excellency the Officer administering the Government to urge upon your Honor, the necessity of impressing upon the Europeans there, the propriety of preserving strict neutrality, and of not, on any account, mixing themselves up with the views and prejudices of either of the contending tribes.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) ANDREW SINCLAIR,
Colonial Secretary.

His Honor

The Superintendent
of New Plymouth.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 24th August, 1854.

Sir,—

It having been represented to his Excellency that during the late disturbed state of the Taranaki District your exertions for the preservation of peace have been most energetic and praiseworthy, I have the honour, by direction of his Excellency the Officer administering the Government, to convey to you his Excellency's acknowledgment of your valuable services on the late unfortunate occasion. His Excellency further directs me to state, that he entertains a hope that you will still continue your exertions for the maintenance of peace, especially among the European population, who appear to have behaved so well during the late trying period of excitement.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) ANDREW SINCLAIR,
Colonial Secretary.

The Rev. H. Turton,
New Plymouth.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 22nd December, 1854.

Sir,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant, in reply to mine of the 21st August last, on the subject of the recent native disturbances in New Plymouth, and in reply I am directed by his Excellency the Officer administering the Government, to express the gratification with which his Excellency receives the promise of your continual efforts to bring these disturbances to a speedy and safe termination.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) ANDREW SINCLAIR,
Colonial Secretary.

The Reverend
H. H. Turton,
New Plymouth.