

thought all the thoughts about Hinemoa that Mr. W. H. Hudson has set forth about Rima, only he thought them much more intensely and more delicately, and at even greater length. He thought about her spiritually. There was nothing chemical about their affinity. It was spiritual. He made up word pictures of her to tell to Epstein as soon as he got home. How would Epstein represent her hair which seemed to float out behind her like smoke, soft, thick, and dusky. Would her sinuous form become bulbous, low browed, amorphous, hipless, and flat chested? And in the comparison Hartley was obliged to remove and polish his spectacles, which had misted over.

At the end of this period of self and other-self contemplation he recollected his duties. He called in great state the following day on Sir Julius Vogel. He was admitted immediately and found the holder of the Agriculture Portfolio closely examining some Californian thistle on his desk.

"I'm sorry," said Hartley, "to disturb the Minister at his lunch."

Sir Julius laughed heartily at the joke and explained that he had originated it himself some days earlier.

"You should take up land," said the Minister. "This country is settling down. Hone Heke has not cut down the flagstaff for three months. The last one erected was of Onekaka steel and turned the edge of his tomahawk."

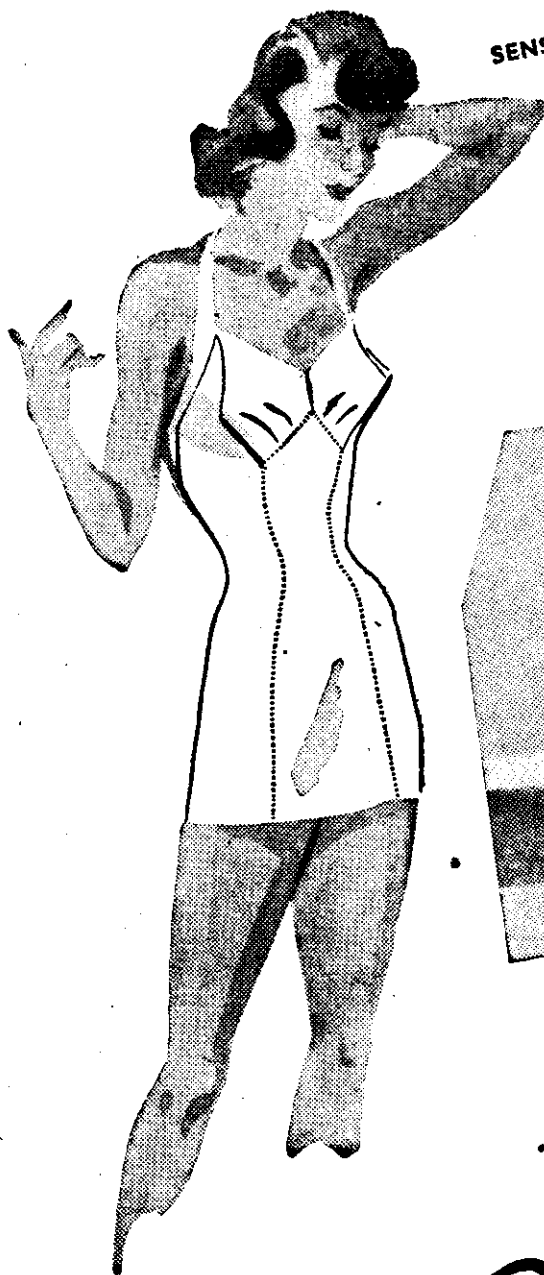
Hartley took up land. He took up a million acres. He cleared it and burnt it and drained it and ploughed it and limed it and rolled it and fenced it and subdivided it and top dressed it and stocked it and grazed it and grumbled at it.

He married Hinemoa and had 30 children and we are all his descendants.



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