

Te puke² o *Te Karaka*,³
O *Te Wharekaponga*,⁴ e,
Hei kawē i a koe,
Kia kite i te *paura*,
I te *waipaata* ra,
E whakakoroa nei e te tini.
Hei aha, e, te nui Maori nei?
Ngaro noa te puhipuhi,
Tahuna iho ki te ahi.

Ka whanatu, ka haere
Hei karoro tipī one,
Hei tawhaowhao paenga tai;
Pae noa⁵ ki te ngutuawa, e,
Te Kura⁶ a Mahina,
Kei Ratanui⁷ e;
Koia te tau tini.
Te tau paki o Kupe,⁸
He kiri aute,
He kiri *paraikete*,⁹
Kei a Te Roroku¹⁰ ma.

Tirohia iho,
E te iwi tupuhi nei.
Ki te to o te tangata,
E takoto ake ana.
Ko te kiri rauwhero.
Mauria atu ra
Ki roto o Mata-koutu.¹¹ e;
Whakatirohia iho ra
Ki Maia-a-te-ahu.¹²
Kia noho koutou
I runga o te makatea,¹³ e.
I te tautenga¹⁴ o te kaharoa,¹⁵
Kaore i wharawhara ki a tatou.

He mate¹⁶ kuware noa
Te makau a te hoa;
He uri mate kuware
No te whakaware nui a Whena,¹⁷
I te Ra-kungia,¹⁸
Te Moana-waipu;¹⁹
I te mate kai kino
I te Ra-torua.²⁰

I whakaputua
Ki te aroaro o Whiwhinga²¹
Ka ea te mate
O tahau tamaiti.
Ko tahau pararaha²²
Ko takinga-o-Rehua,²³