

He tipua hoki tenei mea te mate,
E mea nei i nga mea weriweri hei taonga.

Na nga rongokino i tiki a Koteria i te whenua kia hoki mai ki tona papa. No Rea e patua ana e te marangai i puta ai i a ia nga kupu o te whakaupoko. "He tangata ahau, nui atu toku harangia i toku hara." He he ano pea o Rea engari ko te hara o ana tamahine kia ia kahore i rikarika—kahore ia i tika kia peratia. Waihoki he he ano pea o te tangata engari ko nga kino take kore a etahi atu ki a ia kahore i rikarika. I etahi wa ka whakaaro au nui atu toku harangia i toku hara.

But it is a common proof,
That lowliness is young ambition's ladder,
Whereto the climber—upward turns his face;
But when he once attains the upmost round,
He then unto the ladder turns his back,
Looks in the clouds, scorning the base degrees
By which he did ascend.

—Shakespeare.

He mea tenei kua kitea,
Ko whakaati te arawhata o ngakau—wawata,
I titiro whakarunga ai nga kanohi o kai-piki;
Otira ekengia ana te huapae whakamutunga,
Hurihia ake tona tuara ki te arawhata,
Whakamau ana te titiro ki nga kapua, whakahawea ana
ki nga huapae o raro
Ma reira nei tona pikinga ake.

—Hakipia.

He kupu tino tohunga enei. I huaina a Hakipia ko te kai-whakamaori o te ngakau. E rite ana ana kupu ki te whakaata hei whakaatu mai ki te tangata i te ahua o tona ngakau. Ko te ahua tenei o te tangata wawata, o te tangata kino, o te tangata whakahi, pera me nga tamahine a Kingi Rea i wawata nei ki te torona o te raua papa engari no te raua ekenga ka wareware te raua papa, te huarahi, te arawhata i piki ai raua. Pera ano hoki me etahi tamarii e whakahawea nei ki o ratou matua na reira nei ratou i kiia ai he tangata.

Anei ano etahi kupu a Hakipia mo te whakahi o etahi tu tangata:—

Small things make base men proud.
Ma nga mea ririki noa e whakahi ai te kuare.

Ki te whakamaia te tangata kuare ka whakahi; ki te whiwhi enei te tangata ki tetahi turanga teitei kahore nei i tika mona ka pohohe he kingi ia. Ko te rangatira toto kahore he take e whakahi ai. I te tononga i a Te Kani-a-takirau kia tu hei kingi mo te Iwi Maori kahore ia i whakaae no te mea he kingi tonu ia, mai i ona tupuna rauo. He kupu tohunga nga kupu a Hori Mahue o Te Araroa: "Kaua e whaia nga turanga tiketike, kei taka koe haruru ana to taunga ki raro, ka rangona e te ao katoa; kia hakahaka noa kia taka rawa ake ai koe ko koe anake e mohio."