

tera ano etahi tangata kei te mau tonu ki te tikanga tawhito ara ma nga matua e whakarite he tane ma ratou tamahine, a ki te kore nga tamariki e whakaae ka tohea, ka whakatumatumatia. Mo tenei tu marena nga kupu a Hakipia. Ka mutu tonu te marena tika he marena i runga i te aroha. Ki te kore tona ko te mutunga, "he reinga, he kowhetewhete, he riririri kuku-meroa," he mahue.

. I am a man
More sin'd against that sinning.
—Shakespeare.

. He tangata akau.
Nui atu toku harangia i toku hara.
—Hakipia.

He kupu enei kua waihotia e te pakanga hei whakatuaki a he kupu aroha hoki. Tokotoru nga tamahine a Kingi Rea, ko Goneril (Konorira) ko Regan (Rekana) ko Cordelia (Koteria). I te mea kua kaumatua rawa a Rea ka puta te whakataro i a ia kia tukuna tona kingitanga ki ana tamahine. I ui ia ki o ratou mo te ratou aroha ki a ia; i rite tonu te whakautu a nga tuakana mo te nui whakaharahara o raua aroha ki te raua matua. Ko o raua aroha he patipati, he tipatipa, kia tukuna ai ki a raua nga wahi nui i te kingitanga. Ko te ngakau ia o Koteria i aroha i noho-puku. I te uunga a tona matua ki a ia mo tona aroha kia whiwhi ai ia ki te wahi tuatoru o te kingitanga kahore ana kupu. I te tohe a te kingi kia whai kupu ia ko tana whakahoki, "E kore e taea e au te hiki ake toku ngakau ki toku waha." "I cannot heave my heart into my mouth." Ko te riririra tenei o te kingi, kahore he wahi o te kingitanga i hoatu mo Koteria. Ko Koteria i haere raua ko tana tane ki Wiwi noho ai. Taka ana te kingitanga ki a Konorira raua ko Rekana marakerake ana to raua tinuhanga, to raua kino; ko te mutunga ka peia to raua papa ki waho o raua whare. I a Rea e wairangi haere ana i te koraha ka puta he marangai nui; ka heke te ua, ka kowha te uira, ka haruru te whatitiri. Hei konei ka kungata e Rea ana tamariki i mau kino nei i a ia, mo te kore aroha; ka kowhetetia e ia te ua, te uira, te whatitiri, mo te whakahoa ki ana tamahine ki te patu i a ia:—

But yet I call you servile ministers,
That with two pernicious daughters join
Your high-engender'd battles 'gainst a head
So old and white as this. O! O! 'tis foul!
Ka kiia koutou e au he pononga taurekareka,
I whakahoa nei ki aku tamahine kikino
Mo a koutou pakanga whakataka ki te mahunga
Kua kaumatua, kua hina. Aue! Aue! e te kino!

I te mate o te kingi ka tomo ia ki tana whare pamanaki nei takoto ai; warewaretia ake te kino o te whare i te nui o te mate. Hei konei ka puaki i a Rea etahi kupu matau:—

The art of our necessities is strange,
That can make vile things precious.