

LINKS WITH THE MAORI KING MOVEMENT

rected or taken to task for his mis-statements.

The volume is a document that no careful historian of the period can afford to overlook. It has one additional interest, for it was a gift from Bishop W. L. Williams to Alexander Turnbull in 1911.

Gorst was absent from New Zealand for over thirty years after these events, and returned in 1906 to represent the British Government at the Christchurch Exhibition. Subsequently he published *New Zealand Revisited* in 1908, and in its pages he tells how, again living in memory the eventful past, he found copies of *Pihoihoi* in the library of Mr. Turnbull in Wellington.

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ROBERT TRIMBLE OF INGLEWOOD AND HIS CIRCLE

THE CAREER of Robert Trimble (1824-99) was a notable one in New Zealand, but it is his part in a great cause in the New World that is the subject of this note. Recently the library received as a gift—and a very splendid one, as will be recorded in another place—his well-developed library, through the goodwill of his daughter, Miss Nora Trimble of Inglewood. While not specialising in the question of American slavery, the collection has a small group of books and pamphlets, which are of more than passing interest.

In the forties young Robert Trimble spent some years in the United States, whence came his later interest in that country. Returning to Manchester he represented the New York firm of William Watson and Co., later becoming a partner.

With the outbreak of the Civil War, he placed himself strongly and actively on the northern side by becoming the vigorous honorary secretary of the Emancipation Society which raised considerable sums, and undertook a great deal of other