E hika, tirohia e koe enei mahi, ko matou ko te iwi kihai i hara e waiho ana hei ngakinga mate mo te hara nui o era atu iwi. E hika, whakaorangia matou, me o matou whenua me nga whenua o o matou whanaunga i pa ki te hara. Manaakitia te kupu o Kawana Kerei e koe. Heoi ano, ka huri. Na o tamariki aroha i raro i te Maru o Te Kuini,

William Haronga Himiona Katipa Paora Matuakore Wi Pere Piripi Taketake x Harata Te Mate x Riria Te Mauaranui x Panapa Waihopi Hoera Miha Otene Puru Arapera Pere Pita Te Huhu x Hirini Taketake x Hone Kewa Tamati Poaka Peta Taketake x Heta Haneke Matenga Tati Meri Tiwata Rukuruku Karaitiana Rururu Merearihi Waihopi Raiha Taketake x Matenga Toti Meri Toti Atareta Ruru Hera Hokokao x Hona Huhu Maraea Morete x Tiemi Morete Wirihana Tupouriao x Ropiha Ngaungau x Wikitoria Nohohau Hemara Purangiaho Tui Te Kakahu Wi Paraone Mercana Wi Puarere x Hori Korama x Matenga Tamaiaria x Te Teira Taratukia x Ropata Whakapuhia x Hariata Wahapeka x Tamati Te Wai x

Tokeingarihi x Wi Teketeke x Meihana Hohoro x Pita Te Matihe x Karaitiana Taro x Koroneho Komiro x Karaitiana Pakeha x Pera Titongi x Tame Hone x Hemi Hone x Raharuhi Te Horua x Hori Karaka Ruru x Hamiora Puraho x Tutere Tawhiti x Himiona Hapi x Himiona Riki x Wi Miko Ruka Te Ruru x Hohaia Kahuroa x Henare Kahore x Ani Te Haka x Raka Mohina x Arapeta Patae x Harata Nehu x Renata Takari x Koro Ranahe x Renata Whakaari x Maraea Whakaari x Katerina Hineikakea x Wereta Takirau x Hamure x Kemara Manutahi x Raharuhi Rakuraku x Anaru Hiwaiwaka x Paratene Pangopango x Perohuka x Raniera Te Heuheu x Heni Pototi x Paratene Pototi x Pita Ngungu x Pera Matawhaiti x Kere Kuri x Anaru Ratapu x Iraia Riki x

Harata Naha x Iraia Tamararo x Wi Whaitiri x Amiria Whiri x Hariata Te Nonoi x Wikitoria Pakihi x Karamana Karekare x Te Harawira Toroapukai x Eru Moanahia x Ani Moanahia x Matire Ratapu x Petera Te Honotapu Waka Puakanga x Ihaka Te Kai x Wi Tangira x Watene Tangiari x Hohapeta Kewhakewha x Pera Hawaiki x Heni Puakanga x Karanama Paihau Horomona Paihau Heremaia Rauche Puna Rauehe x Awhereta Te Ari x Pirihira x Rota Wakaatere x Pou Kohao x Makena Pareke Hokokai Waipara x Miriama Wakaatere x Matene Te Karo x Pauro Te Kai x Ripeka Te Kai x Hoani Haraki x Maraea Te Haraki x Rina Pou x Mihi Mere Pauro x Arama Pohaho x Riria Topera x Te Iho x Eparaima Te Rura x Manahi Rangirukuhia x Epeniha Hokeke x Riperata Kahutia x

Katarina Kahutia x

Paku Paraone Ahipene Pototi x Henare Pototi Mere Hokopu x Ihimaera Te Rangi x Renata Rangikawhanake x Arapeta Urukihawaiki x Raka Rangikawhanake x Noa Whakaatere x Hori Warakihi x Te Paraone Katikati x Rawiri Urikore x Rawiri Korehu x Rawiri Kohu x Paora Pere x Pera Pere x Natana Kuhukuhu x Tutere Konihi x Rihimona Konihi x Miriama Konihi x Hira Te Kai x Mere Hira x Paraone Tirohia x Hape Tirohia x Meri Noa x Keita Hori x Wi Maki x Pepi Paraone x Hemi Rangi x Hohepa Hiaka x Marara Whaipata x Hoera Te Umu x Hoera Kipatu x Hirini Moekau x Raharuhi Tuanehu x Takataka x Piripi Makoki x Maupatu x Wi Takahirangi x

Wi Paraone x

[TRANSLATION.]

To His Excellency Sir George F. Bowen, Governor of New Zealand.

SIR,-

Salutations to you, to your lady, and to your children. May you live long to regulate affairs in this country. Welcome, welcome to give life to this Island (or to raise this country out of its difficulties); to look into the causes of grief, and to devise some means whereby a better state of things may be brought about, in order that the disputes between the Europeans and the Maoris may be put an end to. The only effectual means by which such a consummation could be effected is that the laws should be made equal, so that good may not be directed to one side alone, but that the benefits of equal laws should rest on both peoples—on the Europeans and the Maoris; for we are all the mutual subjects of our Lady the Queen. Suffice it, welcome; and may you receive strength from the Almighty. These are our expressions of good will to you. The following is our petition:—

Sir,—We your children are now in great distress; our troubles are not only of the present day,

but have been going on for the last two years: the cause of our grief is that the Government are creating difficulties about (or are interfering with) the land of our ancestors. It is now three years since the peace of this district was disturbed; at that time there came here some Maoris from Taranaki, who urged some of our people to join the mad religion of the Hauhaus; it was not long before the Government Maoris and the Governor's Pakehas punished them, and they were put down by force of arms; they were taken prisoners and sent to the Chatham Islands. They have been now two years and a half in prison; some of them have died of sickness there; but they have been severely punished, for the crime of that people was not very great, for they committed no murders, and the disturbance