

reported to him by his Hauhau friends as being full of underground dungeons, where those obnoxious to the Government were incarcerated. Rewi replied that they were only tales, told to pass away the time; that he never believed any of them. Later in the afternoon he left by boat for Te Puna, leaving a few of his young people to follow in the morning with the horses. On my taking leave of him he said, "You have induced me to come into this town. I said I had done so, and that his name in future would be Rewi Wawahi Taone. He replied—"Very well. Telegraph to Major Mair to meet me at Cambridge, and if I get into disgrace with my own people for entering your town and carved house I shall blame you for putting me in." During the whole journey Hauhau prayers were offered night and morning.

I consider the trip and the fact of inducing Rewi, being the head of the extreme Hauhau party, to enter our towns and offices, to be a political success. Virtually the barrier (aukati) is broken. Throughout the journey Rewi and party thoroughly enjoyed themselves; they were shown every consideration and respect.

Apologizing for the voluminous extracts from my diary.

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