

a tinana mai te £500 ka timata ai te hanga. Ko waho o te whare ka hanga pakehatia, engari a roto ka hanga ki nga mahi whakamiharo a nga tupuna, ara ki te whakairo ki te arapaki.

4. I paahitia e te Komiti he motini whakamihari ki te tatou Pihopa mo tana whakaauro ki te tuku i tetahi wharangi o te pepa a te Hahi o tenei Pihopanga ki te reo Maori.

5. Kanui te kaha o te tangata ki te haere ki te Karakia i enei wiki e rima ka pahure nei.

6. Kua kore he minita hei awhina i nga mahi o tenei Pariha i te mea kua hikitia atu a Matene ki te Whaiti Kaati kia manawanui nga takiwa mamao o te Pariha. Kua hei nui rawa te pouri i te roa rawa e ngaro mai ana i o koutou takiwa. He rahi te maara, ko nga kai-mahi ia e ruarua ana. Whakaputaina te kaha o tena wahi o tena wahi o te Pariha. Tena ano te wa e tae mai ai he tangata hei awhina i a tatou.—Na tou koutou hoa pononga i roto i a Te Karaiti,

PERERIKIA PENETI.

BAY OF PLENTY.

The great event in these parts in Church circles has been the coming of the new Bishop of the Diocese. Fortunately it was fairly good weather, though late in the season for traveling, so he was able to fulfil all his engagements.

On Tuesday, April 19th, he presided at the annual meeting of the Archdiocesan Maori Board of Tauranga, held at Te Pahou, Whakatane. After celebration of Holy Communion, in which about thirty partook, the Board met. There was a fair attendance. Many interesting matters were discussed. A motion of sympathy was passed to the widow and family of the late Rev. George Maunsell, C.M.S., who laboured in these parts for many years.

It was rather interesting and amusing to hear the members plying the Bishop with some old-time questions, with a view to a more favourable answer than had hitherto been given. It goes without saying that the new Bishop was quite equal to the occasion. We trust some useful work was done.

On the following day (Wednesday) the episcopal party went to Ruatoki. The native chiefs invited the Bishop to the large Pa Tauarau to receive their welcome, which was given in the usual hearty Maori style. In the evening a goodly number of Maoris, mostly young people, attended service, which was held in the school. The native rendering of the hymns was

good. Holy Communion was celebrated early next morning for the workers.

As a direct result of the Bishop's visit, two young and promising natives were sent to the Gisborne Native College with a view to preparation for ordination.

On the return of the Bishop from the Coast, he visited Matata, where an English service was held, which the Maoris also attended.

Te Puke was the next place visited, arriving there on Ascension Day. Divine service was held in the evening, and three were confirmed. On Friday evening a welcome was tendered to His Lordship by Europeans and Maoris, when speeches were made by all and sundry, including three Maoris.

On Saturday, May 7th, Tauranga was reached. The visit here was greatly interfered with by the news of King Edward's death. Memorial services were held on Saturday evening and on Sunday, with large attendances. The Archdeacon preached to the Maoris at Maungatapu, the Bishop preaching also at 3 p.m.

In conclusion, great interest is evinced in His Lordship's visit in November next.

KO TE TAKIWA O TAURANGA, O WHAKATANE, O OPOTIKI.

No te 18 o nga ra o Aperira, i tae mai ai te tatou Pihopa hou ki Whakatane. No te 19 o nga ra ka tu te Hui o te Hahi Maori o te Atrikonatanga o Tauranga ki Te Pahou. No te mutunga o te karakia me te Hapa a te Ariki ka timata te Hui. Ka whai korero te Pihopa ki te Hui miharo ana. Ka haere nga motini, ka whakahaerea tetahi motini mihi aroha ki te pouaru a te Manihera Minita Mihingare i roto i te rohe o Tuhoe. Tera atu ano te nui o te Motini hei whakakaha hei whakatika te Hahi.

No te Wenerei ka haere te Pihopa me te Atrikona (Williams) Wiremu ki Ruatoki. He mea karanga na nga rangatira kia haere atu te Pihopa ki Tauraru mihi ai. No te mutunga o nga mihi me te whakahoki o te Pihopa i tono ano te Pihopa ki a Tuhoe kia homai etahi taitamariki pai hei tukunga atu ki te kura minita, ki Turanga. Takorua i tukua mai.

No te 3 o nga ra o Mei, i tae mai ai te Pihopa ki Matata, i tu te karakia Pakeha, uru ana etahi o nga Maori.

No te Wenerei ka tae atu ai ki te Puke no te Paraire ka tu te Hui manaaki o nga Pakeha me nga Maori, ki te whare nui, ka whai kupu nga Maori ki reira ka pai nga kupu

whakahoki o te Pihopa ki nga mihi o te Pakeha, o te Maori ano hoki. No te 7 o nga ra ka tae mai ai ki Tauranga. Katali ka rangona te matenga o te Kingi Eruera VII. I taua po ano ka tu te Karakia Pakeha whakawhetai ki te Atua mo te Kingi pai me te inoi ano mo tana Kuini Pouaru me te Kingi Hou ko Hori V.

No te Ratapu ka haere te Atirikona Wiremu ki Maungatapu karakia ai, no te ahiahi nei ka tae atu Te Pihopa ki reira ano kauwhau ai. He kupu pai nga kupu katoa o te Pihopa a ko te ngakau o te tangata e tatau ana ki tona hokinga mai i a Noema e haere mai nei.

The Rev. Nirai Runga.

On Sunday, June 12th, there entered into rest at Moteo the Rev. Nirai Runga, one of the Native Clergy of the Heretaunga district, who retired from active work three years ago, though he had been for some time previously in indifferent health. After a course at the Maori Theological College at Gisborne, he and Manahi Te Aro were admitted to Deacon's Orders by Bishop Stuart at Omaha on St. Luke's Day, 1881; the Rev. H. Wainohu being at the same time ordained to the priesthood. After their ordination the Rev. N. Runga was placed at Moteo, and the Rev. M. Te Aro at Waipatu. The latter died at his post in August, 1883, so that from that time till 1898 the Rev. N. Runga was the only Maori clergyman in the Heretaunga district. His sphere of work, besides Moteo, Omaha, Waiohiki, and Wharerangi, included Petane, Tangoio and Te Haroto on the road to Taupo. His widow, who survives him, came from Te Haroto, and the funeral was delayed till the 19th to allow of her relatives attending it. The Bishop had previously arranged to be at Moteo on this Sunday, and he was joined there by Bishop Williams, the Rev. A. F. Williams, and the Rev. W. T. Fraser, who is now in charge of the Moteo district. Morning prayer was held in the large meeting-house, as the Church was too small to accommodate the congregation. The Bishop preached from John xiv. 1-3, his sermon being interpreted by the Rev. W. T. Fraser. After this there was a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Church, Bishop Williams being the celebrant. The funeral was taken by Bishop Williams at two o'clock, who also preached at evensong from John xi. 25-26. The Bishop had intended to visit Waiohiki in the afternoon, but the Waiohiki people had all come to Moteo for the funeral.