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Waimate, Feb 9: 21/49.

Dear Sir, Your letter is here a-  
bout the canoes to be supplied for  
Patea and Titohi.

I have thought it advisable  
to write to the people at Patea and  
Titohi to inform them of the arrange-  
ment, and for them to write to you  
that you may know the names of  
the parties who will engage to sup-  
ply the canoes. As there are no row-  
ing men in those places I am appre-  
hensive that the toll demanded  
will not have the attention it de-  
serves. Should my friend M<sup>r</sup>:  
Lean pass your way on his return  
this way he will be able to make  
every arrangement for your satis-

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faction as he is acquainted with  
the natives.

I would not presume to dictate  
to the authorities but it has occurred  
to me that if two of the police of Wa-  
nganui could be stationed at Kei-  
hapa between Patea and Titohi-  
being only about a mile from river  
to river they could relieve each other  
this way <sup>with the boats</sup> and look after the ca-  
noes which might be purchased  
and secured for the public service  
Excuse this hint.

Yours respectfully  
and truly

Wm<sup>r</sup> Woon  
Major Durie.

By order  
of Woon