

8 pages to Samuel Locke in Napier City

21<sup>st</sup> Feb 1874

Dear Sir

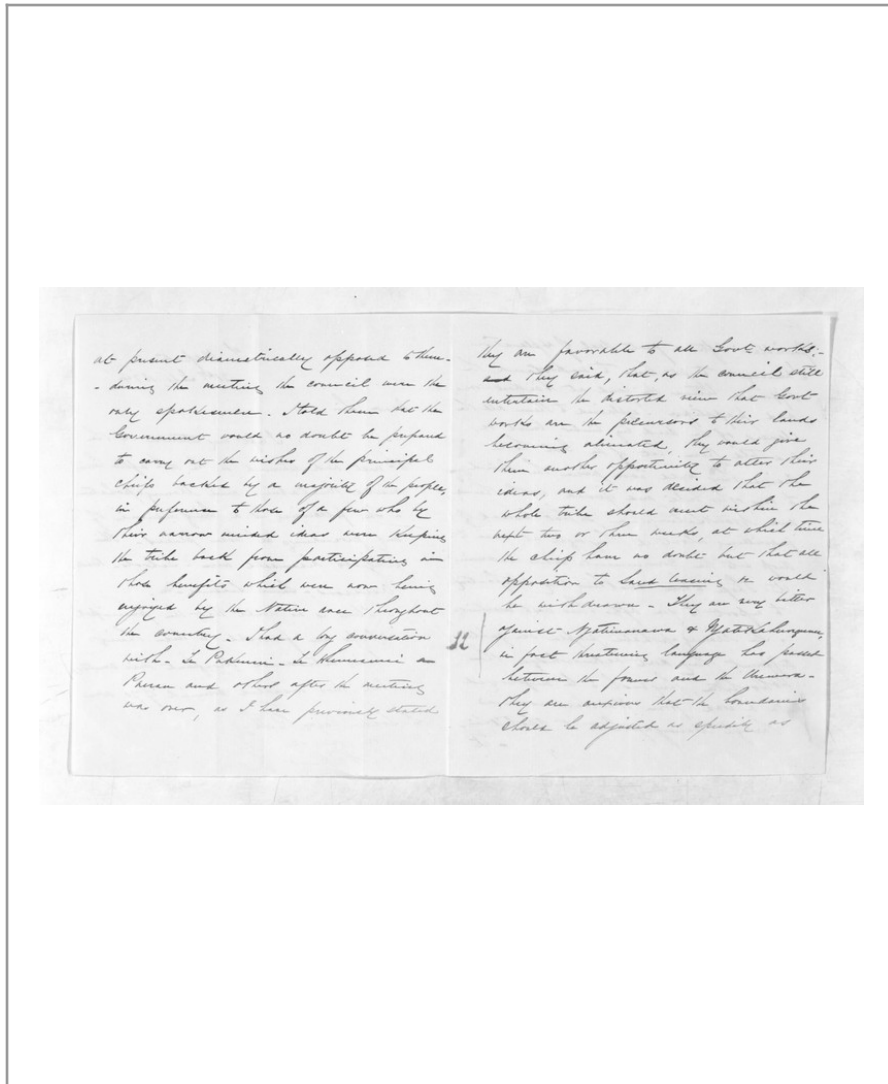
I left my station on the 8<sup>th</sup> inst and returned on the 14<sup>th</sup> after having visited Rautahuna and Mungahopatu.

The following is a brief summary of my proceedings at those places. The subjects discussed were - Schools - Roads - Assessors - Land Surveying - &c.

There is no doubt that the principal chiefs are favorable to these things being introduced throughout their country but their so-called council of 70 are

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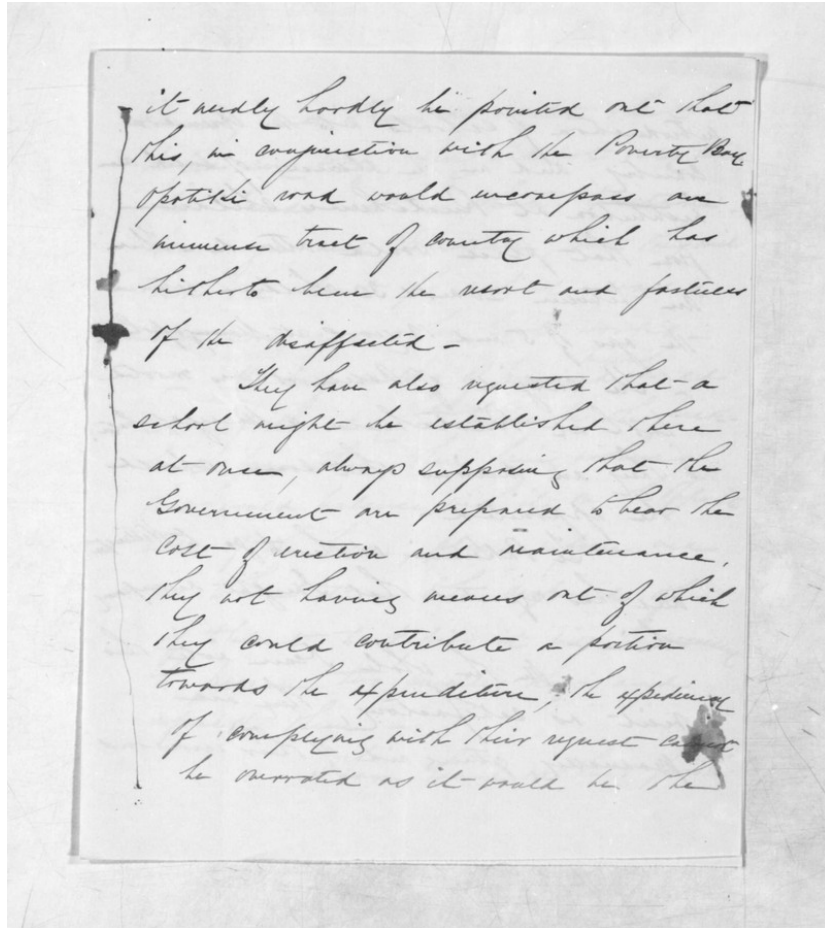
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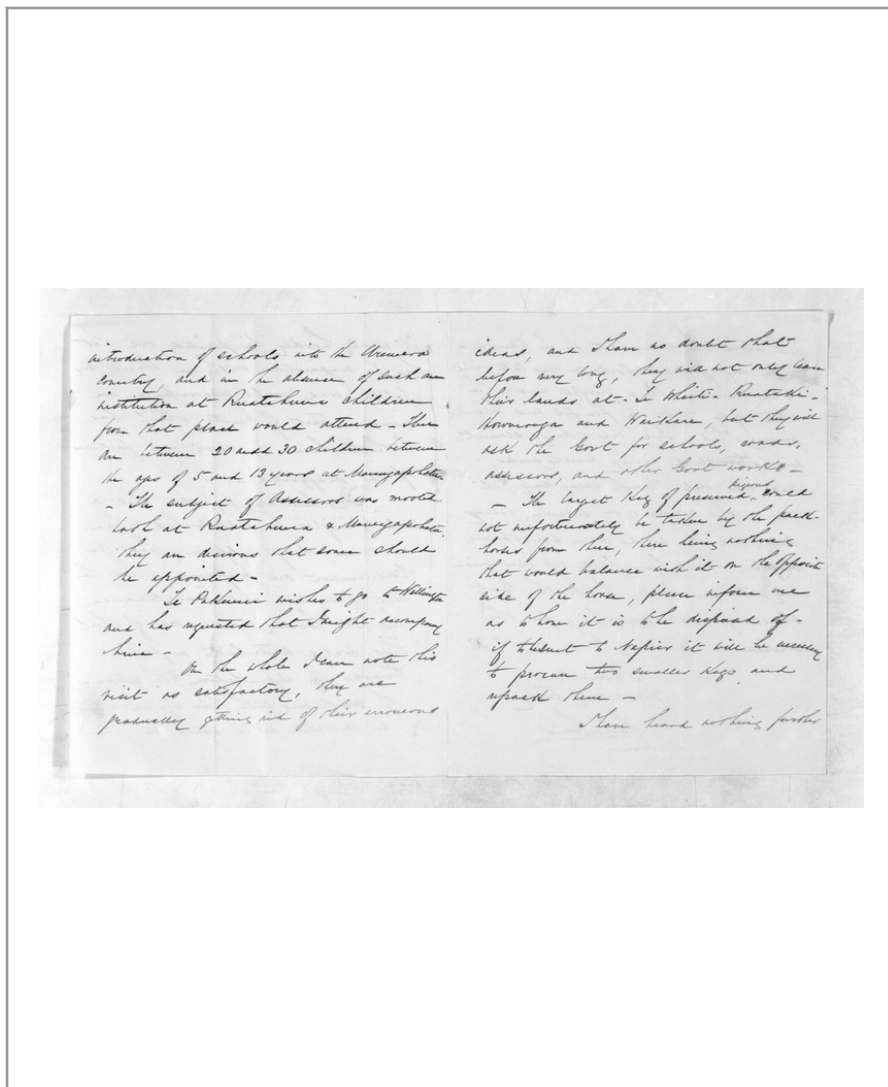
possible - After a great deal of explanation  
 I managed to get them to understand the  
 difference between the land at Waikarewaka  
 and papatipu, I explained to them all the  
 clauses of the deed, viz timber, trust &c,  
 and told them that if the Govt had  
 decided they would have given the land  
 to any other tribe, and given both them  
 and Ngatikahurangi, so that instead of  
 quarrelling about it they ought at once to  
 drop into the Government's view and  
 it. I hope to have something very satisfactory  
 to report to you after their next meeting.  
 - The Manungapohata people are quite  
 different. They don't acknowledge the  
 Kahorohita, they wish to be employed  
 on a road from Waikarewaka  
 through Manungapohata to Ngatikahurangi.  
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it really hardly be pointed out that  
this in conjunction with the Private Bill  
of public work would encompass an  
immense tract of country which has  
hitherto been the resort and fastness  
of the disaffected -  
They have also requested that a  
school might be established here  
at once, always supposing that the  
Government are prepared to bear the  
cost of erection and maintenance,  
they not having means out of which  
they could contribute a portion  
towards the expenditure, the expediency  
of complying with their request cannot  
be overrated as it would be the

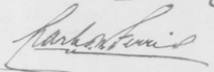
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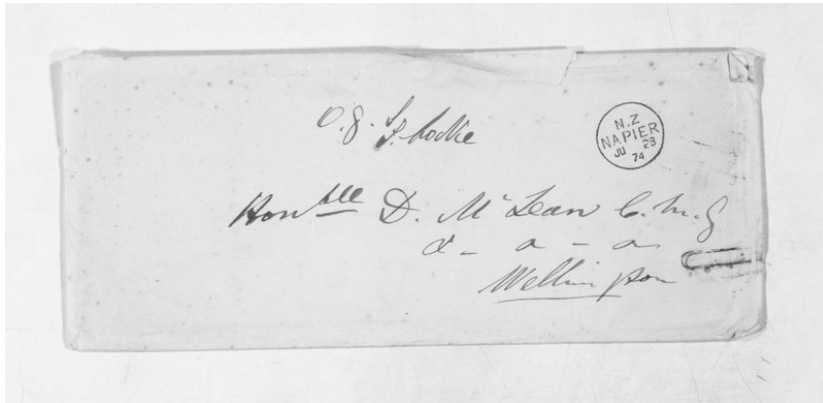


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get about the movements in La Hève -  
 In my official report on my late visit  
 to the Chumera, I have brought under the  
 notice of the Govt. the painful and harassing  
 journey I had - I was only 7 days absent,  
 but I travelled nearly ninety miles,  
 and was wet through every day, it  
 was either raining or snowing every  
 day, and the roads were sometimes  
 awful, I have been laid up ever since  
 my return - I really think the Govt  
 should give me something for this  
 service as it is very hard work -

I remain  
 Yours very truly  


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