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Dear Sir I have
just visited the coast.
The Māori are peaceful
but a spirit of restlessness
exists among them with
a desire to agitate the
slightest dispute into a
quarrel of magnitude.
Of course that is attributable
to the state of question
they find themselves in
after so much fire work.
I had confidential
conversations with Ramea
Haupeia and Reputa
both agreeing as to the
unsettled state of the
people generally. It is

