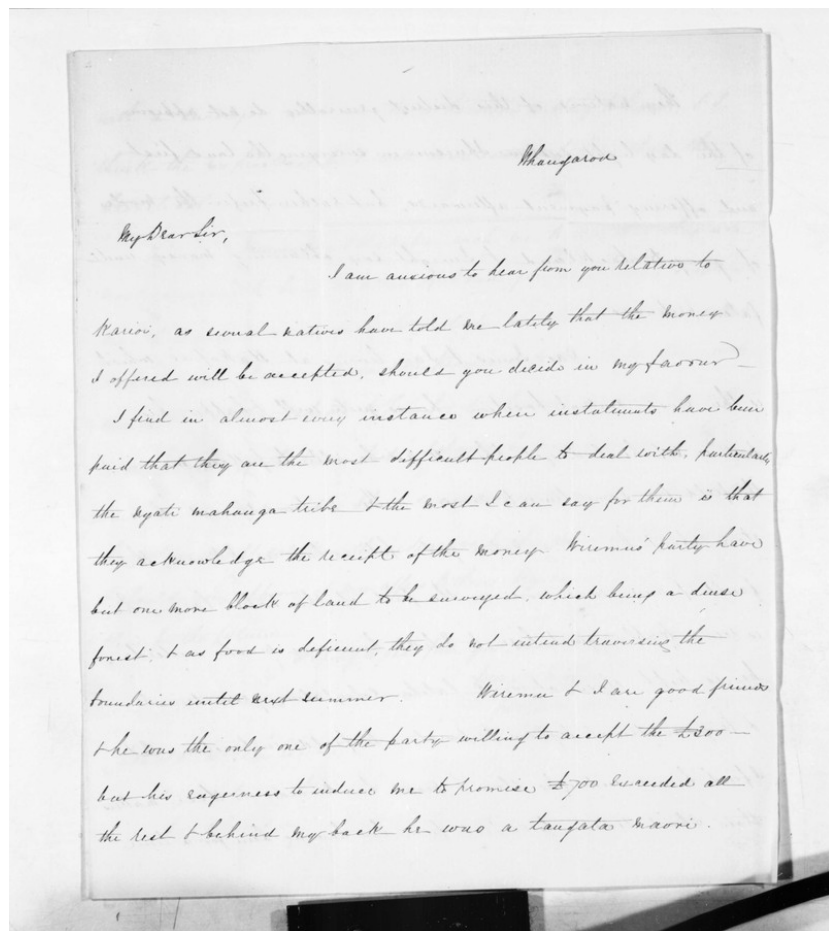


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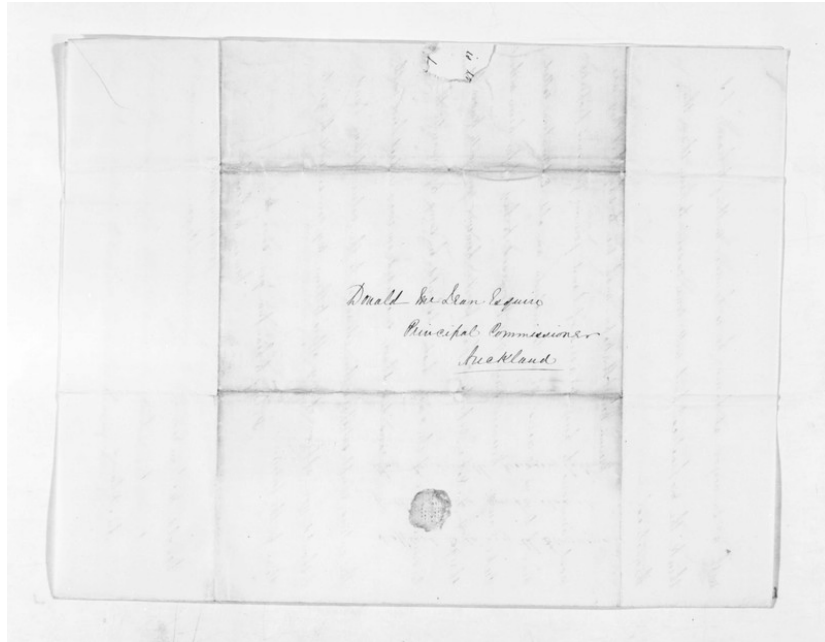
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They nations of this district generally do not approve of the day light system of surveying the land first and offering payment afterwards, but rather prefer the mode of going to backland & might say obtaining money under false pretences —

Mac Lenn & I am living at Hakopai which is the most central position, he is quite well & happy, his foot is not healed yet he will not be able to follow me in the field for some time to come — The natives raised some story about him & a native girl, but as far as I know the fault if any was more on the part of the native lady, he is remarkably quiet here & I like him very much, indeed he is kept close at work lately calculating geometrical & trigonometrical figures preparatory to fields instruction, but I find him exceedingly slow & more backward in these matters than I had reason to expect from his having been for a time



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