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Report from 29th Feb. to 13th March 1852.

Feb. 29 Sunday Parade at ten o'clock

Mar. 1 Evidence given before Resident Magistrate by Mr. Wall, Mr. Woon and self, in reference to Mr. Bennett's conduct towards natives in this settlement. adjourned for further evidence until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning -

Posted usual report to you by this days ordinary mail to Wellington -

Kenata, a Huirangi native, came to Barnetts and complained of having been assaulted by Joseph Street the younger -

Received a Warrant of Arrest against Jacob Farey, for debt -

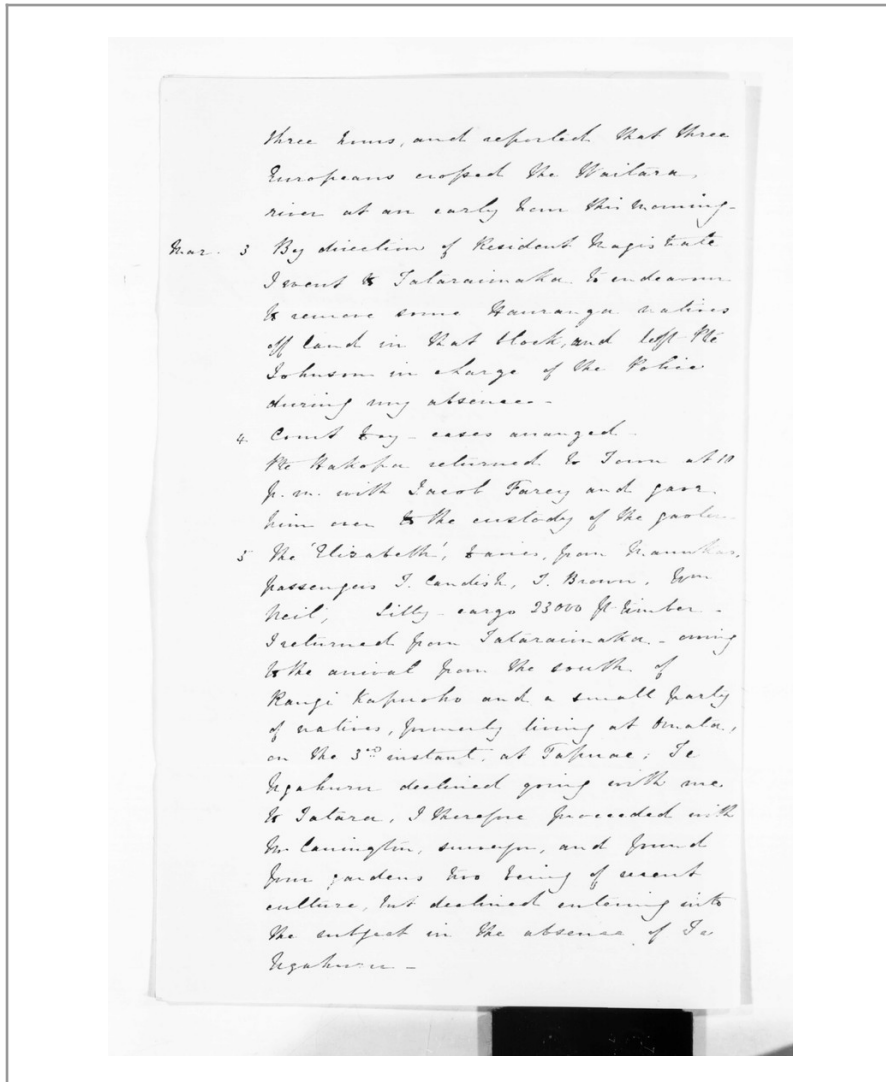
Kori, a Taranaki native, gave evidence against Mr. Bennett - judgment defendant to be imprisoned for four days -

On information that Jacob Farey had absconded, sent Private Johnson and Katoha to Waitara with directions to the latter to continue in pursuit -

Johnson returned, in top of Man

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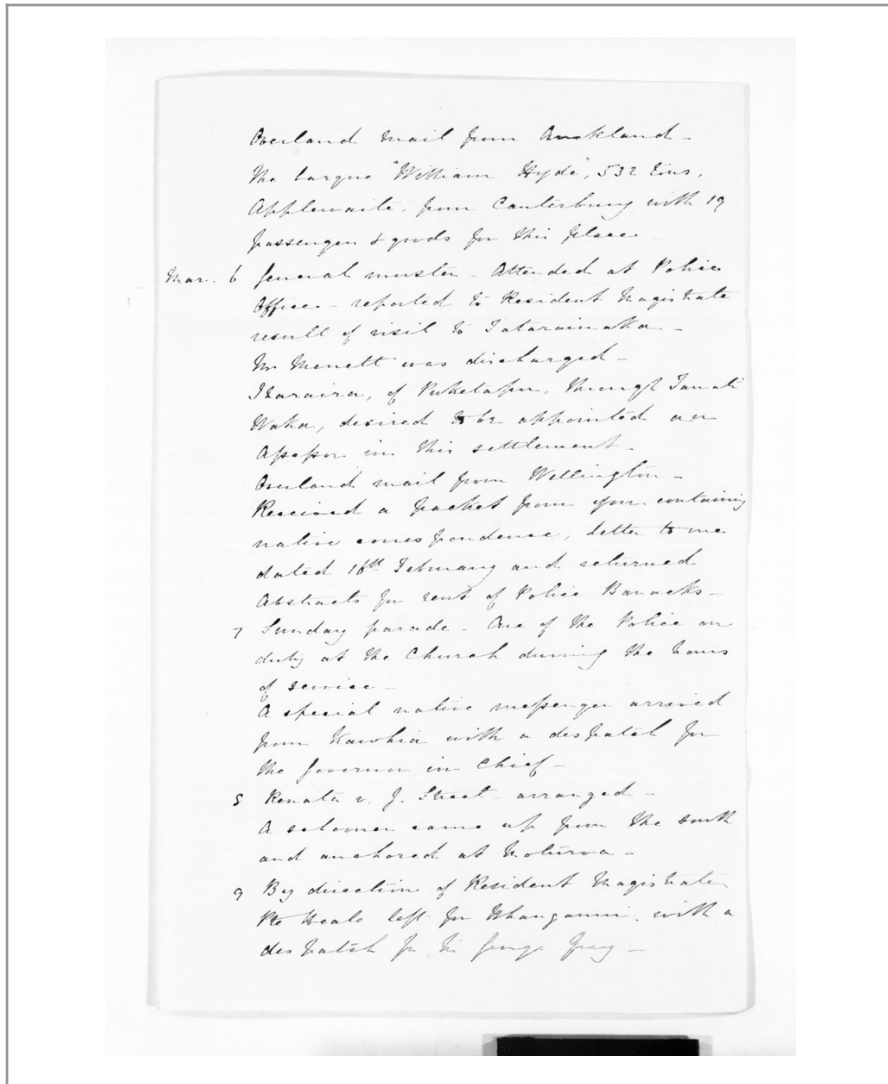
Three hours, and reported that three Europeans entered the Waitara river at an early hour this morning.

Mar. 3 By direction of Resident Magistrate I went to Tataraimaka to endeavour to remove some Hauranga natives off land in that block, and left Mr Johnson in charge of the Police during my absence -

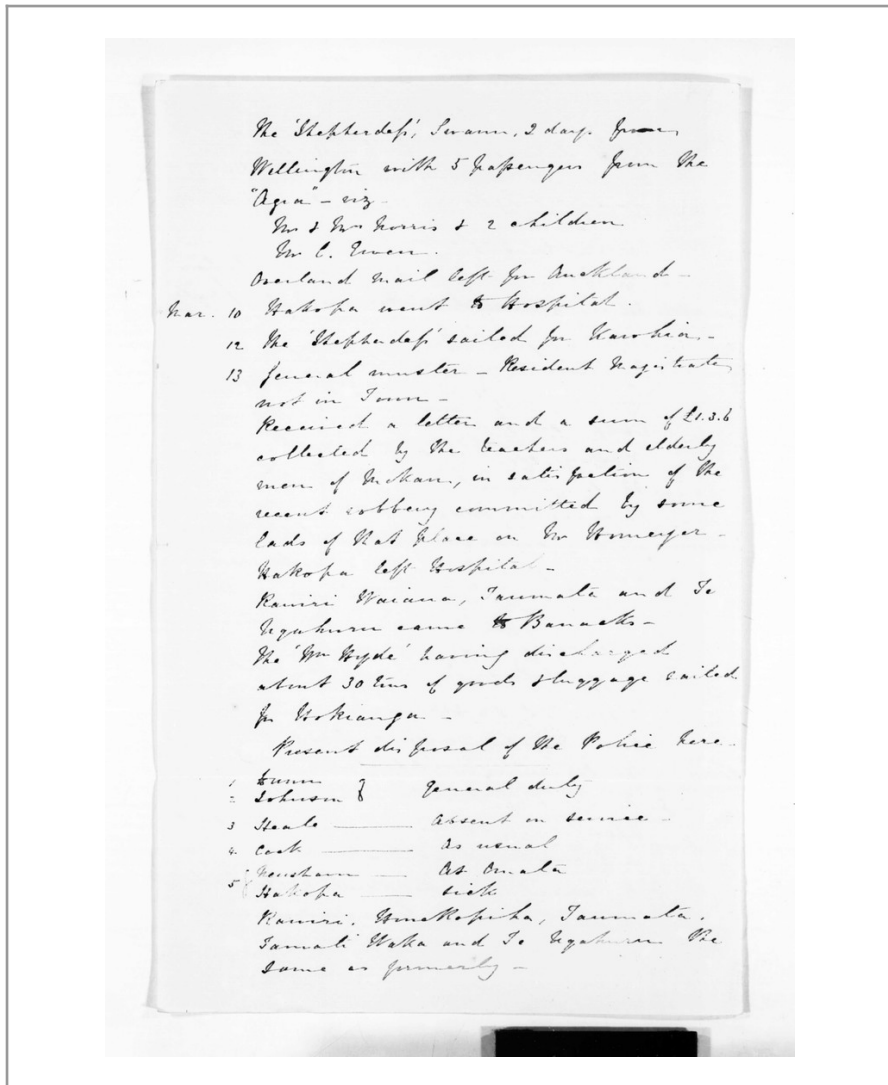
4. Convict boy - cases arranged - Mr Mahopu returned to town at 11 p.m. with Jacob Percy and gave him over to the custody of the gaoler.

5. The 'Elizabeth', sloop, from Greymouth, passengers J. Landish, J. Brown, Wm Neil, Lilly - cargo 23000 ft timber - returned from Tataraimaka - owing to the arrival from the south of Rangitapu and a small party of natives, formerly living at Otatou, on the 3^d instant, at Tataraimaka; Mr Leghorne destined going with me to Tataraimaka, I therefore proceeded with Mr Cunningham, surgeon, and found some gardens but being of recent culture, but destined entering into the outfit in the absence of Mr Leghorne -

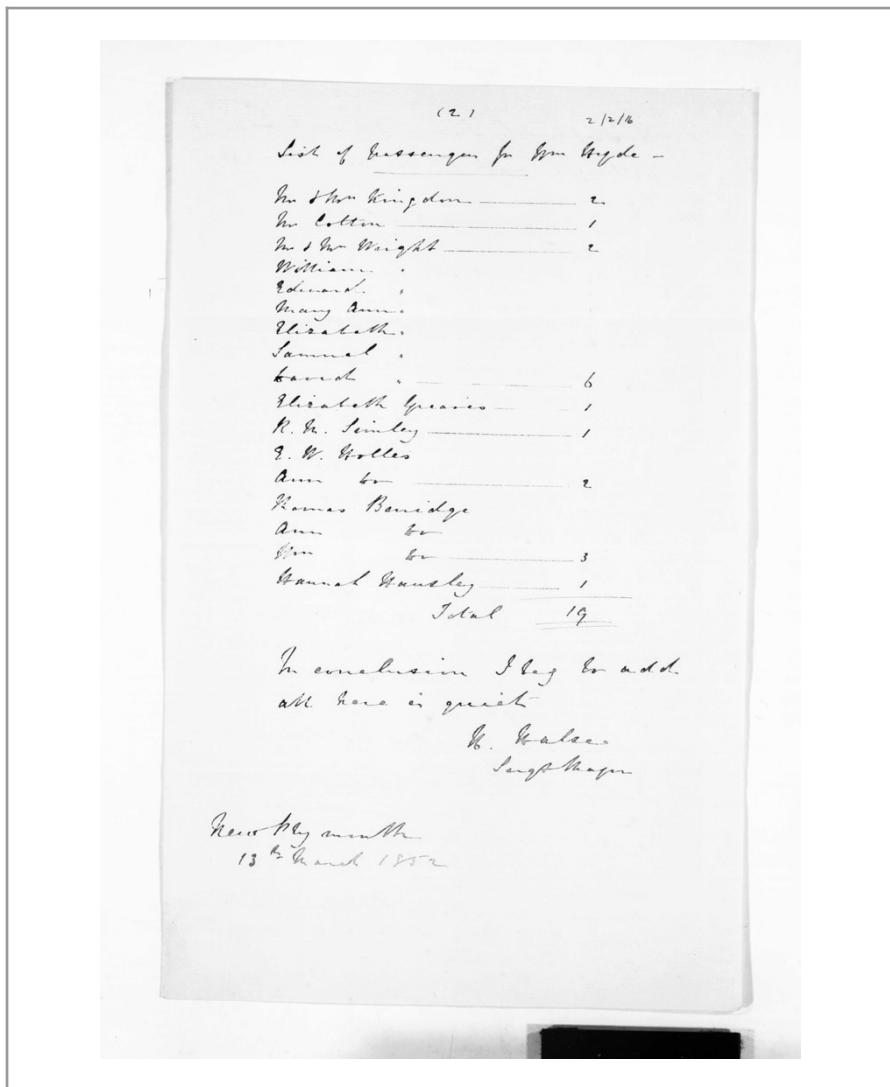
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