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Self. Lett. St. Ahuriri

Dear Mac

I received your two notes  
by the Rose & have to congratulate  
you upon your marriage, please  
give my best wishes to Mrs  
McLean {Mac the married man}



I expect it will be well on  
in October before I see  
you here - I have not  
yet seen any thing of  
Ropika but Pelichor  
starts on Monday, as soon as I can  
make it (now that the paper has  
arrived) I will send a large map  
of the three districts addressed to  
D. McLean Esq

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The Mr. Secretary in case you should  
 have left. The Maoris have nearly  
 finished a good house for you  
 on the Island. I have given orders  
 & bills to make three good windows  
 for it as it is deserving of them.  
 everything is quiet & dull here - if  
 you think there is any chance of  
 my remaining here if you can arrange  
 for the purchase of a <sup>1,150 acres</sup> ~~1,150 acres~~ for £50  
 please to do so for me - I will not  
 give a farthing more as I know  
 they will soon be below that. but  
 I would give <sup>of a</sup> 10% an acre for a small  
 one of 50 acres provided I can select  
 the land I want here with it -

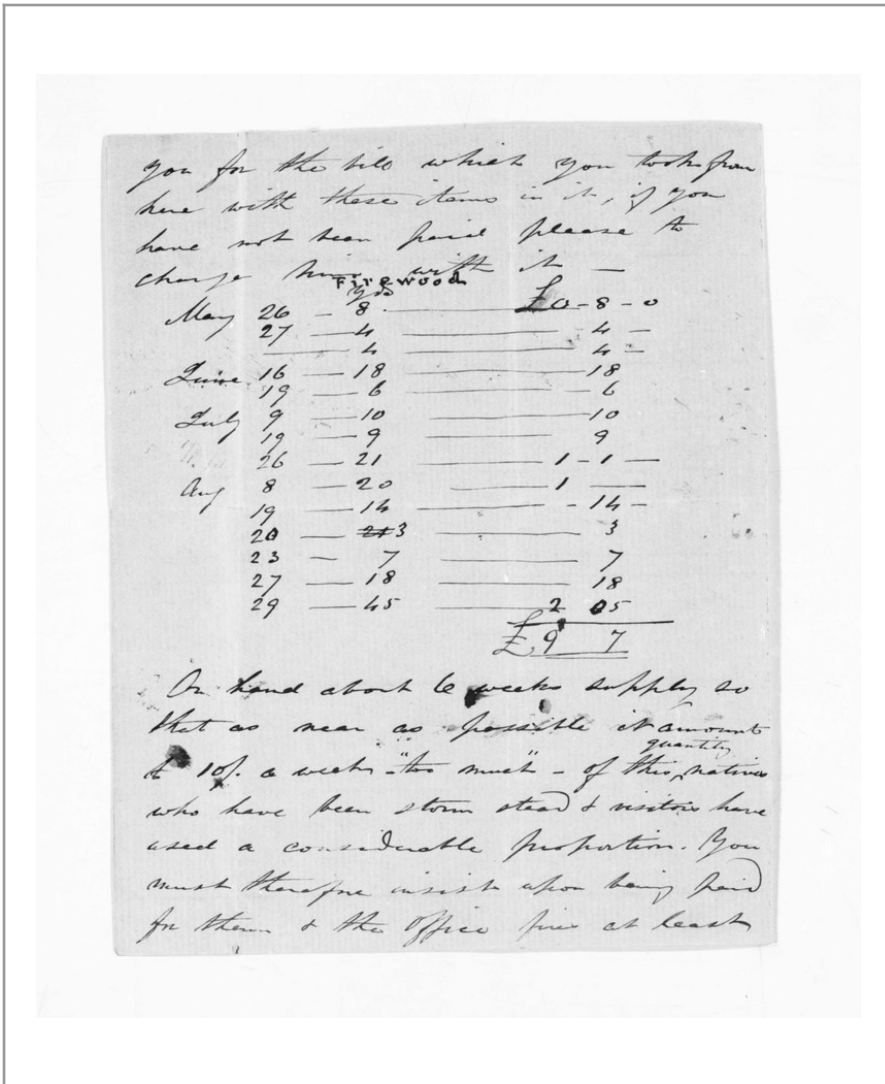
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What a fellow that Fitzgerald is  
 he sends up one of the field books  
 without a metallic pencil & it is  
 if you are using a common one with  
 them - please to ~~send~~ <sup>bring</sup> me a pencil  
 with you - there were two good card  
 protractors in the Cays Office they  
 can't wait both for the work they  
 are upon -

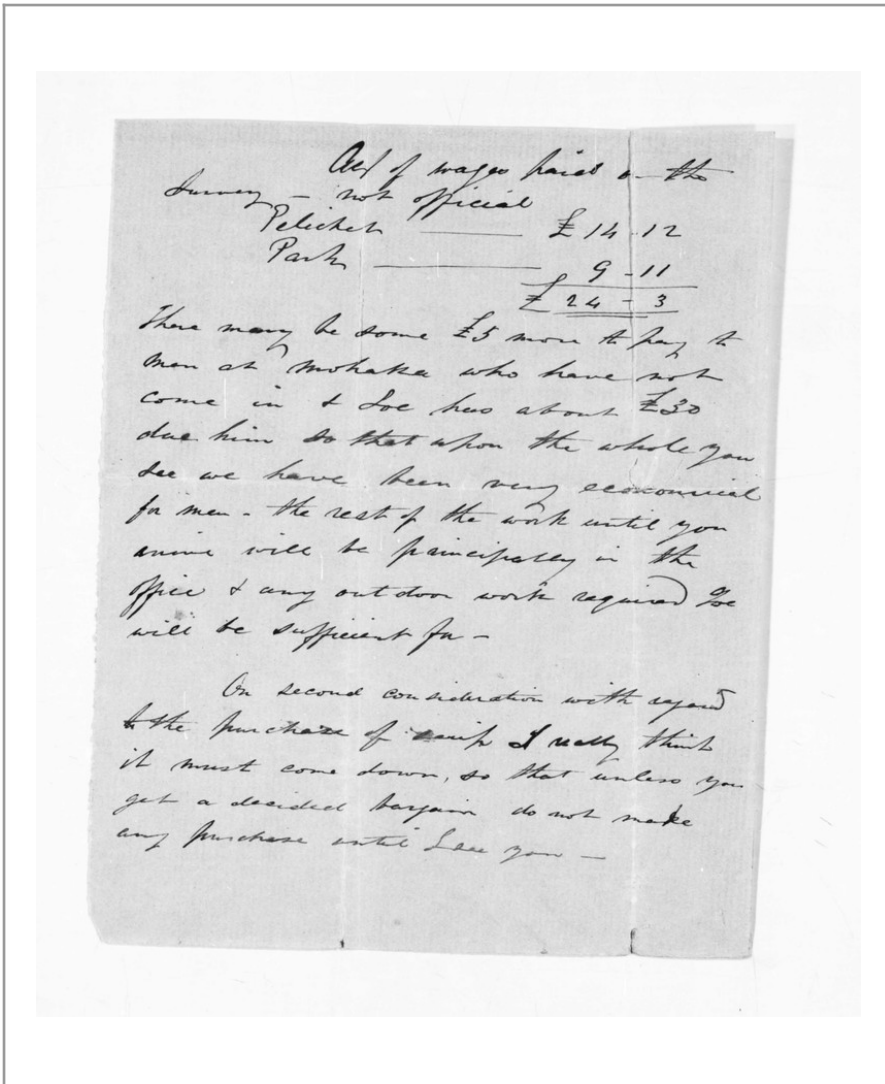
Below is a statement of the  
 firewood used by us since you left  
 which will show you what a tax  
 it is. I do not charge Pelletier with  
 a share of it as I still think the  
 Government should pay - at least for  
 1/2 the office requiring a great deal  
 & keep the paper in working order  
 I have not charged P. with Kettle &c  
 which I paid unscatell for as I do  
 not know whether Govt. should pay

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