

Akuhata, 22, 1893.

Na i te mea kua kite nei matou nga hapu o te Arawa i te Pire a te Minita mo nga mahi Nunui i tukua mai nei ki nga Iwi Maori o Nui Tireni. A ko matou ko nga hapu o te pito ki raro o Taupo tae noa ki Rotorua tae noa ki Maketu me era atu waahi katoa o te Arawa ka whakahoki atu nei mo te Pire a te Kawanatanga i tenei Paremete, ara te Pire e huaina ana te ingoa o taua Pire hei Ture hei whakamana i te hokonga whakawhiwhi hoki o nga whenua e mau ana ki nga Maori ki a taea ai te whakanoho he tangata ki runga ki nga whenua a nga Maori

1. Te ingoa poto o tenei Pire ko te Pire hoko whakawhiwhi whenua Maori tau 1893.

Na ka peneitia te kupu whakahoki atu a te Arawa, no te timatanga o tenei Pire tae noa ki te mutunga o nga rarangi o taua Pire kaore matou e pai ki a tau iho te mana o tenei Pire ki o matou takiwa ki etahi atu waahi ranei o matou takiwa no te mea he mate nui rawa mo matou mo te Iwi Maori kei roto i tenei Pire. A me waiho ma matou ano e whakahaere o matou takiwa whenua.

We the several "hapus" of the great Arawa tribe have seen copies of the Bill which is to be introduced into the House of Parliament during the present session by the Minister of Public Works, namely, "The Native Land Purchase and Acquisition Act, 1893," an Act to authorise the acquisition of land owned by natives for land settlement.

We the several "hapus" of the Te Arawa from North of Taupo to Rotorua, to Maketu and other parts of the Te Arawa District do hereby protest and declare that from the beginning to the end the said Bill is to be wholly repealed, and not to take effect on any of our land, for we know by it we will suffer greatly in the future.