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Te Tiriti & Its Northern Context

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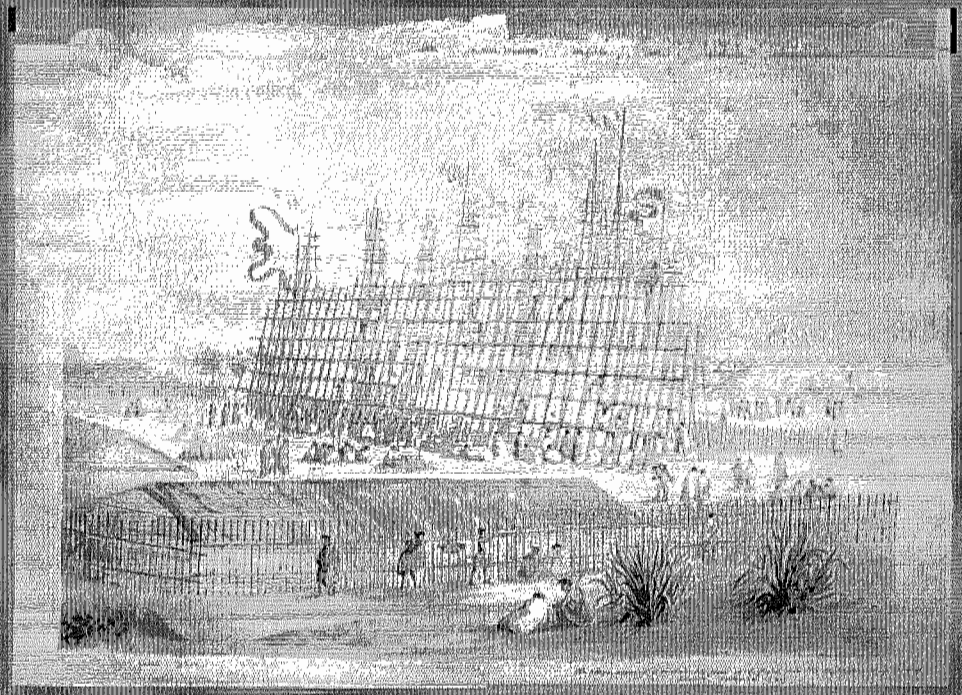
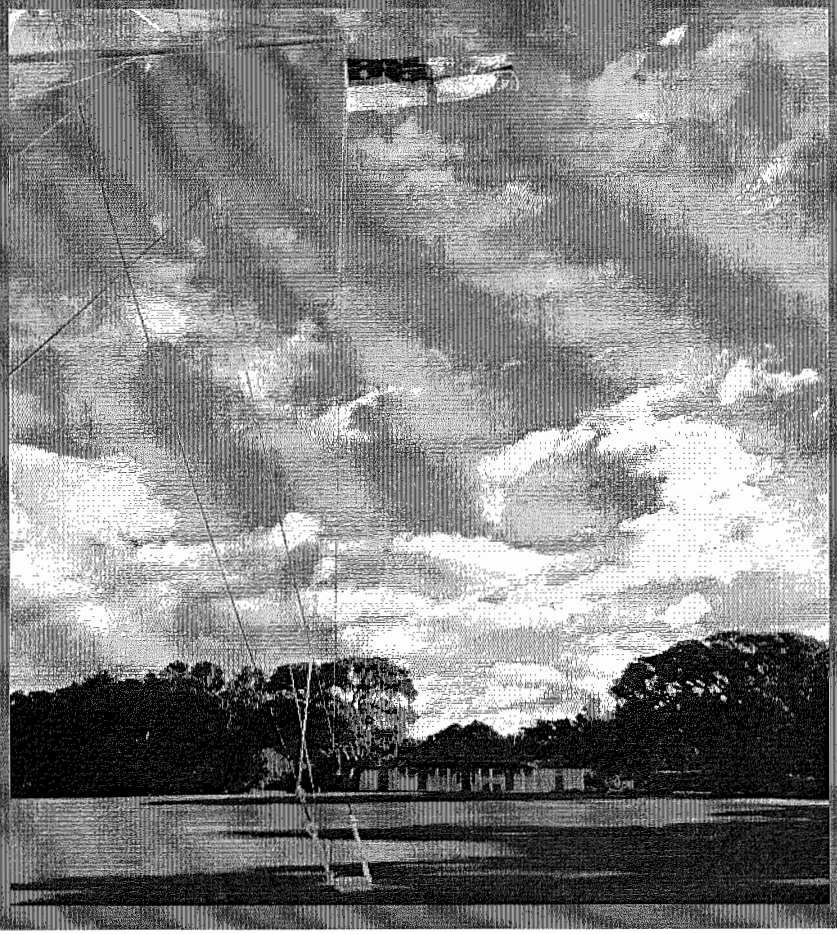
Chapter 1: Mana, Trade and Missionaries



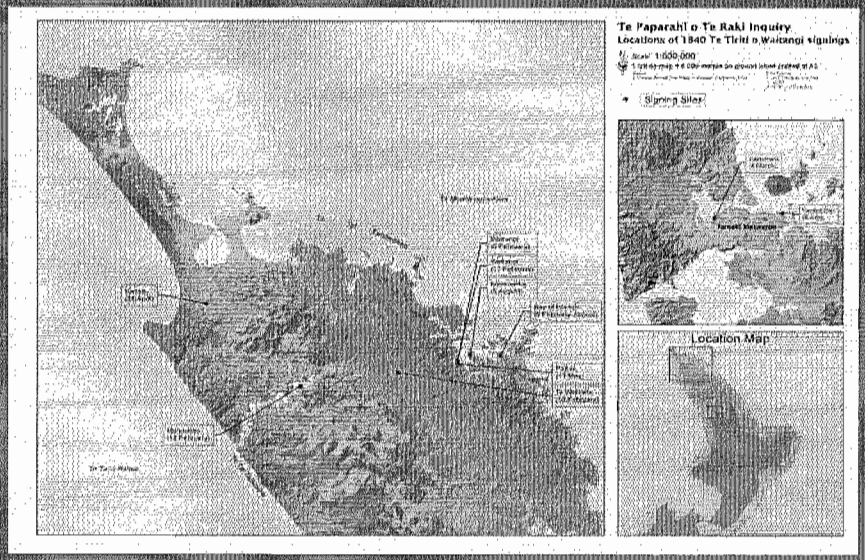
Relationships between Maori and early Europeans

Chapter 2: New Ways of promoting Mana



- the 1831 petition
- the 1834 flag and
- Titore's letter
- the 1835 He Whakaputanga, Declaration of Independence
- A Maori king
- Concluding comments

Chapter 3: The Treaty Signing Contexts



- Crown position
- Maori responses
- Beyond Waitangi
- Other accounts of the Waitangi meeting
- Signing observations

Chapter 4: Aftermath of the 1840 signings: Crown perspectives on the Treaty

A view from London: Lord Russell to Hobson:

... you will look rather to the permanent welfare of the tribes now to be connected with us, than to their supposed claim to the maintenance of their own laws and customs. When those laws and customs lead one tribe to fight with, drive away, and almost exterminate another, the Queen's sovereignty must be vindicated, and the benefits of a rule extending its protection to the whole community must be made known by the practical exercise of authority.

GBPP, 1835-42, 311, Lord John Russell to Governor Hobson, 9 December 1840, p. 27.

- Crown perspectives & Treaty no longer relevant
- Renewed interest in the Treaty?
- Concluding comments

Chapter 5: Maori Action and Reaction 1840s-1850s

Kawiti:

E te whānau, i te pakanga ahau ki te Atua i te pō, heoi kihai ahau i mate. No reira, takahia te riri ki raro i o koutou waewae. Kia ū ki te whakapono. Ka whakahurihia koutou hei poai Pakeha a muri nei. Waiho kia kakati kau te namu i te whārangi o te pukapuka, hei konei ka tahuri atu ai. Kei takahia e koutou, ngā papa pounamu tapu a ō koutou mātua tūpuna e takoto nei. Titiro atu ki ngā taumata o te moana.

'My people, I fought with god during the night, but I did not die. Therefore trample anger beneath your feet. Hold fast to your faith. You shall be made slaves by the Pakeha from this day forth. Await until the sandfly nips the pages of the book (i.e. the Treaty) then, and only then, shall you arise to challenge. Lest you desecrate the Papa pounamu (the sacred symbols i.e. the signatures) of your ancestors. Look to the horizons of the sea.'

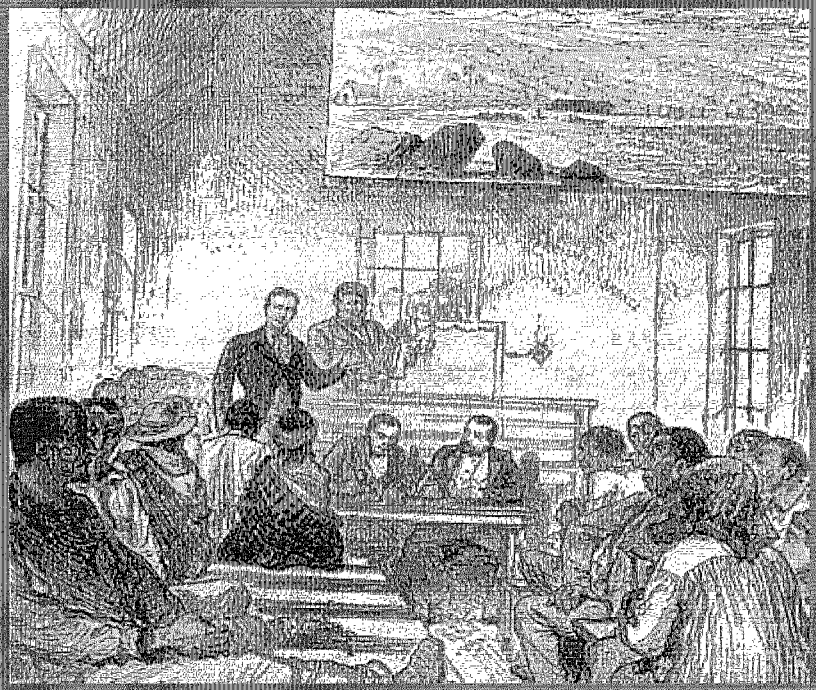
Te Ruki Kawiti

Chapter 6: Challenges to Protecting Rangatiratanga in the 1860s

- Kohimarama Conference
- the Crown Position
- Northland Maori perspectives at the Conference

Paora Tuhaere, Ngati Whatua

Chapter 7 Parliaments, Protest & Petitions 1870s – 1890s



Parliament at Orakei, 1879.
Illustrated London News
Dec 4 1880 p. 553

Hone Heke Ngapua MP

Chapter 8 1932 GIFT, 1934 AND 1940 WAITANGI CELEBRATIONS

- 1932 gift
- 1934 & 1940 Waitangi Celebrations

Chapter 9 British treaty-making in the nineteenth century

Sierra Leonie, Treaty , 24 September 1825.

First, Bankah, King of Sherbro, by the advice and consent of his said tributary Kings, Chiefs, and Headmen, and the said Thomas Caulker and George Caulker, representatives of the said Ya Comba, Queen of Ya Comba, have for themselves, their tributary Kings, Chiefs, and Headmen, and people, for them, their heirs, and successors, *for ever ceded, transferred, and given over unto his said Excellency* Charles Turner, Governor of the said colony of Sierra Leone, and his successors the Governors of the said colony for the time being, for the use and on behalf of His Majesty the King of Great Britain and Ireland, and his successors, *the full, entire, free, and unlimited right, title, possession, and sovereignty of all territories and dominions to them respectively belonging,* being situate ...

Second, the said Charles Turner ... agrees to accept the cession of the aforesaid territories and dominions ... the protection of the British Government, the rights and privileges of British subjects, and guaranteeing to the said Banka, King of Sherbro, his tributary Kings, Chiefs, and Headmen ...and to their heirs and successors for ever, the full, free, and undisturbed possession and enjoyment of the lands they now hold and occupy.