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Apatiki

Major Kemp

Account of the fight at
Takaoka

Major Kemp to the Hon. the Secy
of War

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Apatiki,
30th March 1870.

To William Fox the head
of the Government.

A few salutations
to you. I have received
your letter written from Ka-
piti on the 15th January
about Te Kooti, Kereopa
the eye-sucker and the Karaitia
the son of Satan.

On the 20th the force
under Poria and myself
started - four hundred and
ninety in number - at 10
o'clock at night being anxious
not to be discovered by Te
Kooti's scouts, in the
morning we saw the
party of Hauhau that
had gone out to catch the
Whakatohea, after going for
about half a mile they
disappeared they were going
in single file. Well we

went

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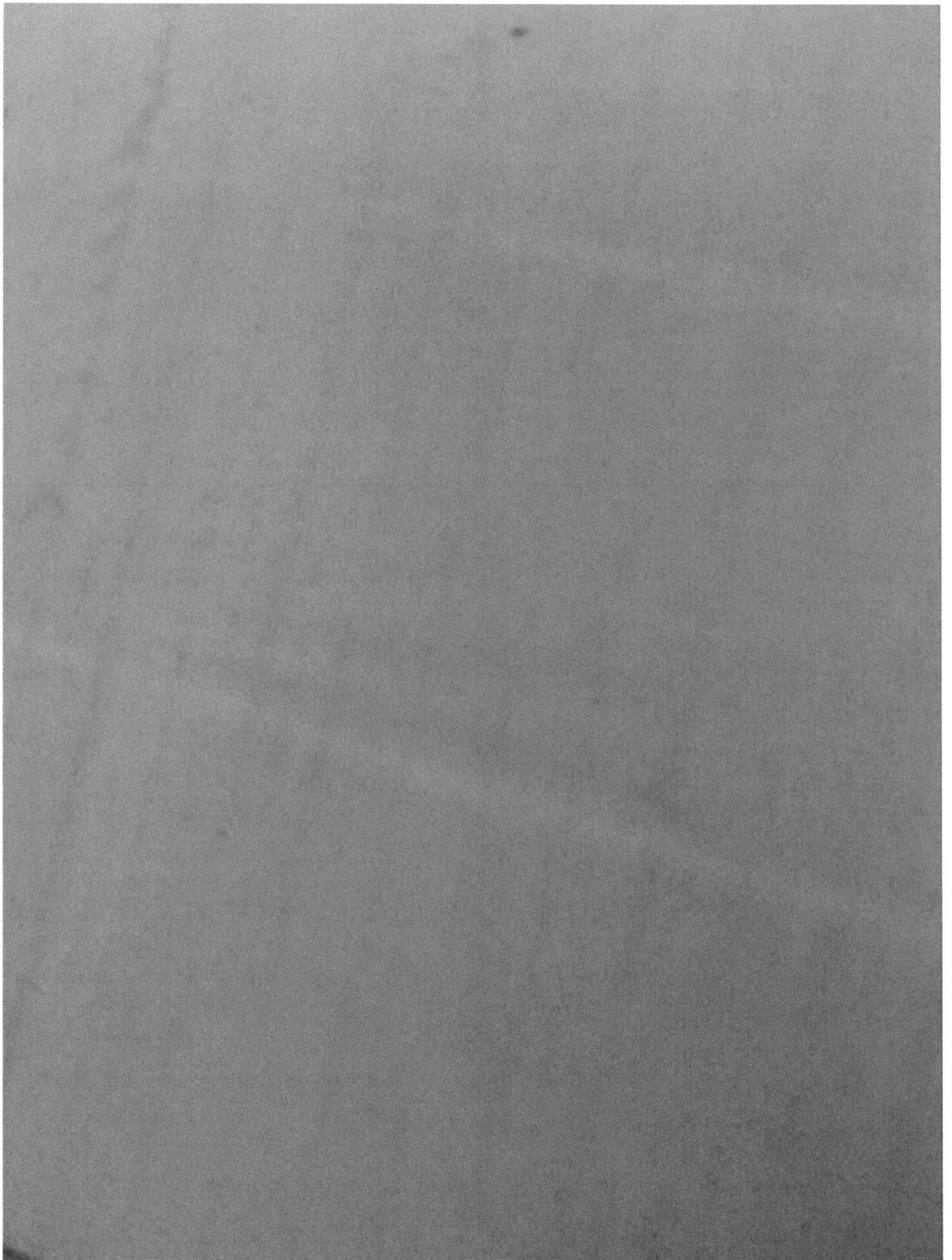
went on through streams
and over mountains. On
the 23rd we came out at
the Waioeka gorge and
saw the Kootis party and
his prisoners, there we
sent out the scouts they
discovered the [Enemy] encamped.
At night I sent forward
120. The Officers were Paora
Papa, and Waikeangina,
also Austin (?) a European.
They rushed that camp
and captured all that were
in it - eight - four ^{men} and
four children. After that
I sent out two hundred
under Mui & Wiroma Kingi
they got to another encampment
and took the whole. After
that ~~another~~ ^{the party went on of some and} attack was
made and all were taken.
After that another attack
and all were taken & on
on up to the fifth when
a messenger came to me
from Austin (?) then I
sent out three hundred
because I heard that
Kereopa the eye-biter and
Hakaraiia the son of
Satan were there. Then
that pa Waipuna was
surrounded and a general
attack

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attack was made it was like a mob of horses racing. The pa was taken. Eighteen were killed. Of the Kooti's own force thirty five were taken prisoners, forty four women, thirty children. The prisoners of the Whakatohoa tribe who had been taken by the Kooti were retaken by me in this pa—forty five men, seventy seven women and seventy-four children. The total number counting the living and the dead is three hundred and twenty three. The Chief who was killed was Hakaiaia the son of Ratau of Aitapuika. Pirroti who commanded the vessel when they came from Chatham Islands and Hakaiaia cousin of the Kooti were killed. The Chief whose life I spared was Wiema Kingi of Turanga. The only man who escaped was Kaepe the eye-eater. All these camps including the pa were taken in one night. In the morning I sent out

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a party to look for Kere.
opa the eye-eater. Two
hundred went out. After
two days they returned.
After that I sent out three
hundred and fifty to
surround Te Kooti; the
fifty in advance of the
three hundred and the
scouts, four in number,
in advance of the fifty.
After ~~going~~^{marching for} about two miles
we heard the reports of fire
arms from the force under
Rapata Major of Ngatiporou
then we ~~were undecided~~
could not decide what
to do, at length I ordered
the force to advance in
single file and after crossing
manaro mountains ~~one~~,
one was caught and killed
and the force returned.

Major Rapata's force killed
one, they ~~got~~^{got} one-a
man and a woman - so
that they accounted for three.
They made the attack on
Te Kooti's pa they came
upon it suddenly and not
having sent out scouts.
Some of them say that
the lot in front were dull
fellows, had it been Major

Rapata's

Rapata
won
That
said. Dupre

? Kemp seems to
count the man
and woman as one
& also as two.

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Rapata's own hapu ^{top the only} some
would have been caught.
That is all that is to be
said.

Sufficient
from your loving servant.

Inaia Kapa Te Paitokokitea

maunga, e koro tina koe,
kua tae mai to kete kia
hau i tukia mai i tepia
i te 11 onga ra o Hanuere, ara
mo te kooti, mo kereopa kaiwa
tu, mo Hakarara te Tama o
Halana,
Aotea onga ra o mahe ka haere
atu ta maua ope ho topia
tura, haere ake e wha rau e
awa te kauri, 490 i te tekau o
nga Haora o te po, he tupaato
kai kitea mai e nga tutea
a te kooti, i te ala ka kitea
i te kaupapa o te hauparu
i haere mai ai ki te hopu
i a te Wakatohu, he awe ma
oro ka ngaro te kaupapa,
he mea tukituki haere, ta ra
lou haere, 400 ka haere noa
iho i roa, i runga maunga
a te 23 ka puta atu ki te
kauri o Wairoa, a ka kite
i te kaupapa o te kooti, me
ana Hakarara, i reira ka tu
kua atu te torotoro, roko
hanga atu e noho ana, no
te po ka tukua atu e a hau
o kolahi rau e rua tekau

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te hau, e rua maero, ka rangona
te tangi o te pu, a te ope a Kapata meha
a Ngatiporou, i reira, ka take ka ngohe
noa te whakaaaro, muri iho. he
whaka hana e au, ki a tahi tahi
haere te ope a pan noa nga maunga
e whakaaaro ana e te whakaaaro, a mau
noa, ko take te mea i mate, ka hoki mai
te ope,

no ta meha kapata ope ko tahi
te mea i mate, ko take te mea i ora
he tane me te wahine, ka toko tonu
ai a rangi tonu, na ratou
i huaki te pa o te kooti,
i o horeere tonu to ratou kite,
ki hai i haere torotoro,
e ki ana e tahi oratou he cwi
wareware i mua, me he mea
ko te hapu ake o Kapata
meha, henei kua mau e take,
he oti nga korero o konei.

ka ati na to mokai aroha

Na meha kapa
Te taitokokiteuru

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