Papakura

25th June 1864.

Dear old Mac

I received your letter of congratulation on my promotion for which, many thanks old fellow. I have spoken to W. about your transfer & he says it can't be done, in fact he wont allow it, so there's no help for it, but you know old chap how gladly I would have had you with me, the more so from the fact of the friendship which I am glad & proud to say has always subsisted between us. How are you getting on with D.H. all right? If there is anything you want done write up old fellow & I'm your man. I saw Plympton the other day he slept at our place & said they were all well at home. When are you going to rejoin, dont do anything hurriedly & above all dont get in a huff; think of your double Pay & remember your coming expenses. Where (sic) you in this last affair? I did not see your name. The old wife begs to be remembered to you & hoping soon to see you again

Believe me

dear Mac

Yours fraternally

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