

The assembled Chiefs that as the land now belonged to the Europeans - they were all at full liberty to come or send from any part of New Zealand for such things as they might wish to purchase, and that the Smith would make them axes, hoes, and other useful tools, but on no account was he to repair fire arms or make any warlike instruments whatever, not even for the greatest Chiefs on the Island.

Ahoo-dea O-gunner (one of the chiefs from whom we purchased the land) declared that the ground was no longer theirs, but wholly and solely the property of the white people and was tabooed for their use only. The ceremony of executing the deed was performed on the newly purchased land, and a son of Mr. King (the first white native of New Zealand born at Ranghechoo) was publicly baptized on this occasion which with many other impressive circumstances will render this truly interesting scene a subject of long remembrance to the New Zealanders and of gratitude and praise to the few followers of Jesus, then present, who were the humble instruments of the work.

Ahoo-dea O-gunner, a sensible man and very partial to the Europeans, is the chief man in Ranghechoo, where the settlers reside.

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