

Then the fierce old chief was angry, and went to Mr. Hadfield to complain. He said, "The *first* Englishmen who came here brought guns, and taught us to fight; and now you, the *second* Englishmen who come, teach us *not* to fight. Why were not you the *first* to come? Why did not the Englishmen keep their guns to themselves, and send the missionaries instead? If they had done so, by this time all New Zealand would have been quiet."

Truly Mr. Hadfield wished they *had* done so, and every Christian wishes the same. But Raparahau had no right to make this speech, for he had always opposed any missionaries coming, and now was trying to prevent his son being a missionary to his perishing countrymen. But this old man, like all impenitent sinners, tried to find an excuse for continuing in his wicked ways. Yet he could not hinder his son from serving God.

It was a dangerous journey that the two cousins made in Middle Island, because Raparahau had formerly ravaged the country with his army. But they trusted in God to preserve them from their enemies.

When the people heard their message of peace, they replied, "Look at the land which your father has laid waste."

Then Tama (for this was Katu's new name),