

Feb 11th 1857

Dear Friend,

I received your letter of 28th Dec^r by the last Mail and was waiting to hear from parties living at Papakura who had expressed a wish to possess portions of my property there hoping to conclude a purchase with them but am afraid money is too scarce at present. One of them a Mr. Walters an Antkeeper has offered to take a Lease of a portion for a Paddock & then to purchase at the expiration of the Lease & give £10 an year rent - The other party a Storekeeper I have not received a definite answer from yet - You may rely I shall leave no means untaken in endeavouring to cancel the obligation I am under to

you with many thanks for the delay
you have granted which relieves my
mind much - Things are at a stand
almost in Auckland; what with divided
Politics and commercial depression matters
have been brought to a very low ebb -
But I think it is only in the Colonies
feel the effects of the war, in the
no arrival of Emigrants & Capital from
other Countries, but this must cease and
soon, now the war is over -

The 58th are looking forward to
the arrival of a vessel from Sydney very
anxious, to know if the 19th Reg is
on its way to relieve them which they
expect is the case - If the 19th Reg
arrives, I should think it would cause
our being relieved, as they most likely
would be stronger than the 58th & we
ordered to Head Quarters.

I was surprised that Surgeon Martin got away
so quick - He is in Auckland, were I
hear he intends to stay - Should you
hear of there being any likelihood of my
getting away in any of these batches
be kind enough to let me know, and
as, should I get away, I should occupy
my own house, it would require time to
clear it - it would be a great convenience
to know in time -

You need be under no uneasiness about
the Loan, it is safe for you, and should
you have any fear on the subject you
can at any moment get the amount
registered in Auckland and placed as
a charge on my property either in the City
or at Papakura and I believe prevents
the sale of property until the claim is
paid - or I will on your expressing a
wish to anything you may require for

satisfy you, should I happen to get
away from the Service. that I can
possibly do. -

There is little news here - Mr. Ingham
returned from Quebec - & states more
will return when they get an opportunity.

With all our kind regards

I Remain

yours truly

Henry Mowbray

Colony, Barbados

P.S. I enquire about the Hats - I shall make
Shewart return me the 5th. - Mrs. Mason of
that firm is nearly dead. -

Mrs. Loyd has been turn'd out of Barbados.

Will you please tell Sir Johnson the Quaker Tailor that
Roche & Elliott have not paid his money - Roche
says he did the work & will not repay the charge.

Mrs. Mowbray's best respects to Mrs. M^r G^o & her 2
youngsters are walking.