

Aotearoa

Aho-tear-a-roar

Land of the long white cloud

Taupō Nui a Tia

Toe-paw-new-ee-ah-tear

The great rain-cape of Tia

Atiamuri

Ah-tear-a-moo-ree

Where Tia looked behind him

Waitahanui

Why-ta-ha-new-ee

Stream where the cabbage trees grow

Aratiatia

A-rra-tear-tear

The steps of the explorer Tia

Tauhara

Toe-ha-rra

Isolated or alone

Korohe

Core-roar-hee

Māori for the biblical people 'Colossians'

Hatepe

Ha-tear-pee

To cut off or proceed in an orderly manner

Tauranga Taupō

Toe-rra-nah toe-paw

A resting place or sheltered harbour for canoes

Motutaiako

More-two-tie-core

Island of the Taiko (mutton birds)

Motutere

More-two-tear-rre

Floating Island, referring to the cliffs

Motuoapa

More-two-oar-pa

Peninsula regarded as the Island of Apa, a Ngāti
Tūwharetoa ancestor

Waitetoko

Why-tear-tore-core

Where the waves hit the rocks

Turangi

Two-ra-ngee

Ngāti Tūwharetoa ancestor called Turangitukua
(Tu) to stand, (rangi) the sky

Waihi

Why-hee

Water drawn up

Mangakino

Ma-nah-key-naw

Dangerous rivers
(Refers to swiftly flowing)

Wairakei

Why-ra-kay

The reflective waters

Taupō

Toe-paw

The night has settled. (po) night (tau) Settle