## Lore and history of the South Island Maori

## **Maori Associations of — North Otago**

On December 28th, 1936, a model pa was opened at Port Moeraki as a part of the Moeraki centennial functions. Grass grows rank over what was once the site of the Moeraki kainga. Hakapupu is the original name of the Pleasant River. The site of the Pleasant Valley Sanatorium is Otu tahanga (stand naked). The site of the baths at Akaroa, strange to say, also bears this name. At Goodwood, and Matainaka near Hawksbury, now known as Waikouaiti, are situated old Maori burial-grounds. Kakahu tuna is the name of the creek at Beach Road, Hawksbury (modern Waikouaiti). Mount Watkin called after the pioneer missionary, bears the Maori name of Hikororoa, and honours a Ngati Mamoe chief of that name.

Mount Durden is Pahatea, Kaoa kaoa Paikea being the native name of the slopes of Mount Durden. Wai a te ao is Mount Mackenzie, and Rupuku is the name of Mount Royal which, however, bears also the appellation of Rua tu pakahu.

From the railway station of modern Waikouaiti looking south-west one can see several miles away Old Waikouaiti now known as Karitane. The Hawksbury Lagoon is Mata inanga and its outlet is Waipaku; Marunihi is the small bay north of Mata inanga Head. Mount Cornish is called Ohine a moa.

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