



Mahuta supported the Crown and his teina, Patara Te Tuhi became an influential Kingite. Arranged marriages and semi-solo parenting was common amongst Maori. Penaina (translit knickname?) and Eliza, aged 22 were most likely living here in Mangere with the Ngati Mahuta, Te Wherowhero party when Adam arrived in 1853, aged 19. Or Eliza came often with the many canoes from Waikato selling their produce in Auckland. Eliza seems very astute. Her connections and cultural skills would have helped Adam 'make his fortune'