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His Excellency the Governor directs it to be notified that Lieutenant-General Cameron, C.B., left the Town of New Plymouth at 9 p.m. on the 3rd instant, accompanied by a Military Force, and arrived at Tataraimaka at 4 a.m. yesterday morning. (the 4th instant). The Force under his command at that point being made up of the Head-Quarter Companies of the 57th and 70th Regiments, of a detachment of the 65th Regiment, of three Armstrong Guns and the greater part of Capt. Mercer's Battery, and of a small Detachment of the Royal Engineers. The Force being in all about 650 strong.

The attack commenced at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ a.m. yesterday morning. The force crossed the Katikara river and attacked the enemy's position on the left bank of that stream, which it carried, totally routing the enemy who fled in confusion, leaving twenty-two of his dead on one part of the field.

The Lieut.-General states that Colonel Warre, C.B., and the 57th regiment under

his command, availed themselves of an opportunity afforded them by carrying with the greatest gallantry a redoubt of the enemy, where the principal fighting took place.

The loss on our side was one private killed and two mortally and two severely wounded of the 57th regiment, and one private severely wounded of the 70th regiment.

H.M.S. *Eclipse*, under the command of Captain Mayne, R.N., sailed from New Plymouth at 4 a.m. yesterday morning, and arrived off the Katikara river at the hour arranged with the Lieut.-General, so as to co-operate most usefully with the military Force from the commencement of the attack by shelling the enemy's works.

The Lieut.-General and part of the Force returned in H.M.S. *Eclipse* to New Plymouth the same morning reaching that place at 1 p.m. The remainder of the Force marched back to town.

By His Excellency's command,

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