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MILITIA AND VOLUNTEERS.

Colonial Defence Office,  
Auckland, 6th February, 1865.

**MAJOR-GENERAL GALLOWAY** having tendered his resignation of the command of the Local Forces in the Province of Auckland, His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the same.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Colonial Defence Office,  
Auckland 6th February, 1865.

**HIS** Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following promotions and appointments, viz. :—

*In the Auckland Militia.*

- Lieutenant William Alfred Smith to be Captain. Date of Commission, 2nd February, 1865.
- Maurice Norman Bower to be Captain. Date of Commission, 3rd February, 1865.
- Lieutenant Duncan Michie Brown to be Captain. Date of Commission, 4th February, 1865.
- Lieutenant Horatio Lloyd Williams to be Captain. Date of Commission, 6th February, 1865.
- Nicholas Price Carver to be Supernumary Ensign. Date of Commission, 27th January, 1865.

*In the Taranaki Militia.*

Lieutenant William McKechney to be Captain, unattached. Date of Commission, 6th February, 1865.

*In the Taranaki Rifle Volunteers.*

- Lieutenant William Black to be Captain. Date of Commission, 6th February, 1865.
- Ensign Matthew Jenkin Jones to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission, 6th February, 1865.
- John Richard Lawson to be Ensign. Date of Commission, 6th February, 1865.

*In the Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry Volunteers.*

- Lieutenant William Sefton Moorehouse to be Captain. Date of Commission, 30th January, 1865.
- Daniel Innes to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission, 30th January, 1865.

Robert Ross to be Cornet. Date of Commission, 30th January, 1865.

Charles Morton Ollivier to be Cornet. Date of Commission, 31st January, 1865.

*In the Dunedin Rifle Volunteers (Caversham Company.)*

Richard Henry Leary, to be Captain. Date of Commission, 1st February, 1865.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Colonial Defence Office,  
Auckland, 6th February, 1865.

**HIS** Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the following resignations :—

- Captain William T. Lloyd, Auckland Militia.
- Captain L. FitzGerald, Royal Cavalry Volunteers.
- Captain Edward J. Wakefield, Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry Volunteers.
- Cornet Llewelyn P. Traherne, Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry Volunteers.
- Cornet the Hon. Henry J. Tancred, Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry Volunteers.
- Ensign Archibald Bonar, junior, Invercargill Rifle Volunteers.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Colonial Defence Office,  
Auckland, 6th February, 1865.

**HIS** Excellency the Governor has been pleased to cancel the commissions held by the under-mentioned officers, viz. :—

- Capt. George Moore Picken, Auckland Militia.
- Lieutenant William Gunson, Auckland Militia.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Colonial Defence Office,  
Auckland, 6th February, 1865.

**HIS** Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Colonel THEODORE MINET HAULTAIN,  
to be Commandant of the Waikato Militia Regiments.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Colonial Defence Office,  
Auckland, 6th February, 1865.

**H**IS Excellency the Governor directs the publication of the following Despatches, with enclosures, from Lieut.-General Sir D. A. Cameron, K. C. B., for general information.

Head Quarters, Wanganui,  
30th January, 1865.

SIR,—I have the honor to forward for your Excellency's information, the enclosed copies of reports received from Brigadier General Waddy, C. B., relative to the recent military operations in this district.

I have, &c.,  
D. A. CAMERON,  
Lt.-General.

His Excellency, Sir Geo. Grey, K. C. B.,  
&c., &c., &c.

Head Quarters, Camp Nukumaru,  
2nd February, 1865.

SIR,—With reference to my letter of the 30th ultimo, relative to the engagements with the rebels on the 24th and 25th January, I have the honor to acquaint your Excellency, that from information I have received it appears that the rebels have suffered a very severe loss, having had seventy (70) men killed, amongst whom are several Ngatiruanui chiefs.

Pehimana Ngarauru, the principal Waitotara chief, is reported to be mortally wounded.

We have collected 23 bodies on the field.

I have, &c.,  
D. A. CAMERON,  
Lt.-General.

His Excellency, Sir George Grey, K. C. B.,  
&c., &c., &c.

Camp, Nukumaru, 25th January, 1865.

SIR,—I have the honor to report, for the information of the Lieut.-General commanding the forces, that, in compliance with the orders received from him, I marched from Camp at Alexander's Farm with the force detailed in the margin\* towards the Waitotara river, yesterday morning at 9.30. The advance of the troops was necessarily very slow, owing to the steep ascent of the road from the beach to the sand hills at the Okehu river, and the passage across those hills of the carts conveying baggage and stores. The force reached this position about 4.30, p.m., where I formed the Camp close to the Paetaia Lake, and about half a mile from the small native village of Nukumaru. Immediately after the Camp was formed, I ordered out pickets, and as a picket of the 18th Regiment approached a bush close to the village, which I considered necessary to occupy, it was fired upon by a

party of rebels, who quickly fell back and took up a strong position at the edge of the bush further away from the village; the men of the picket got under cover behind a railed fence with a small ditch. Firing was kept up by both sides till dark, after which it gradually slackened, and ceased altogether about midnight.

It is with deep regret I have to report the loss to the service of Lieutenant Johnstone, 40th Regiment, Deputy-Assistant-Adjutant-General, a zealous and gallant officer, who proceeded with the picket to see it posted as I had directed, and who was mortally wounded very soon after firing began, and who died this day at noon.

I enclose a list of casualties.

The picket first posted was commanded by Captain Shaw, 18th Regiment, who acted very coolly and judiciously in the disposal of his men.

Seeing the rebels were in a strong position, and believing they were there in considerable numbers, which might soon be increased from the pah at Weraroa, two miles off, I sent out a reinforcement of 100 men, under Major Rocke, 18th Regiment.

The rebels retired during the night, as this morning they were not to be seen or heard in the bush.

I have, &c.,

R. WADDY,

Brigadier-General Com. Field Force.

Camp, Nukumaru, 26th January, 1865.

SIR,—I have the honor to report, for the information of the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, that yesterday, about 2 p.m., the outlying pickets in front of this Camp were suddenly attacked by the rebels in large numbers, who managed to approach (under cover of the high fern and flax bushes) unperceived till close upon the sentries. After a short resistance, the two pickets were overpowered and forced to retire. Immediately after the firing commenced the troops in camp all got under arms, and I sent a reinforcement to each picket of 100 men. The attack on the left was at once slackened and the Maoris were soon driven back, but on the right they advanced with great determination and pushed on through the village of Nukumaru, till about halfway between that place and the tents of our right front; here they were met by the reinforcement and stopped. The Cavalry (Military Train men) at the same time got round their left flank, and they were driven back to the bush in rear of Nukumaru. Into this bush the Royal Artillery fired some rounds from the two six-pounder Armstrong guns, and the Maoris soon retired from it; considering the very difficult nature of the ground across which the Cavalry had to move, their advance was rapid and their charge effective. I enclose a return of casualties, which I regret to say is heavy, particularly in the 50th Regiment, from which the left picket was furnished. Ten dead bodies of the rebels were brought into camp, and two wounded men; but I feel convinced they lost many more, particularly on the left. One of the wounded is Te Arawa, Ngatimaniapoto, eldest son of Honi Pumipi, a leading Chief; both these men say 600 Maoris came to attack our position.

I have, &c.,

R. WADDY,

Brigadier-General Com. Field Force.

	Officers.	Sergeants.	Rank & File.
* Royal Artillery . . .	3	4	21
Royal Engineers . . .	2	1	14
Military Train . . .	4	1	42
18th Regiment . . .	13	15	301
50th Regiment . . .	20	24	500
Brigade Staff . . .	4		
Total . . .	46	45	878

NOMINAL RETURN of Men, of the Field Force under Brigadier-General WADDY, Killed and Wounded in action, at Nukumarū, on the 24th January, 1865.

Corps.	Regtl. No.	Rank and Names.	Nature of Injury.	Result.	Remarks.
40	—	Lieut. T. O. Johnstone, D.A.G.	wound of abdomen, dang.	died 25th Jan. 1865.	
2-18	1646	Lance-Corpl. P. Caulin	„ head	killed	
„	1355	Private P. Connolly	„ „	since dead	
„	953	„ S. Heathwood	„ „	do.	
„	245	„ J. Boyle	severe wound of arm & leg		
„	1070	Lance-Corpl. I. Scott	severely wounded, left hand		
„	1133	Private P. Cranney	wound in head		
„	1520	„ C. Rivers	severe wound of chest		
„	1246	„ J. Dooley	slight wound of knee		
„	844	„ C. Gallagher	wound of hand		
„	644	„ J. Fisher	slight wound of head		

R. WADDY, Brigadier-General,  
Commander Field Force.

NOMINAL RETURN of Men of the Field Force under Brigadier General WADDY Killed and Wounded in action, at Nukumarū, on the 25th January, 1865.

Corps.	Regtl. No.	Rank and Names.	Nature of Injury.	Result.	Remarks.
2-18	578	Private James Brien	wound of chest,	killed.	
„	647	„ Thomas Graham	severe wound of wrist.		
„	1318	„ Thomas Lock	severe wound of abdomen.		
„	946	„ Francis Travers	severe wound of abdomen,	since dead.	
„	36	„ Patrick Whelan	slight wound of abdomen.		
„	1021	„ David Keefe	slight wound of hand.		
„	415	„ Robert High	slight wound of shoulder.		
„	1644	„ Daniel Watkins	slight wound of arm.		
50th	—	Lieut. W. H. Wilson	left leg, severe.		
„	—	Ensign D. L. Grant	wound of right breast, dangerously.		
„	436	Private Jonathan Fisher	wound through head,	killed.	
„	4491	„ Smith Hargraves	wound through head,	do.	
„	932	„ Joseph Gould	wound through abdomen, tomahawked,	do.	
„	709	„ William Erwin	ditto, ditto,	do.	
„	800	„ George F. Poole	ditto, ditto,	do.	
„	862	„ William Vine	ditto, ditto,	do.	
„	924	„ William Land	wound through abdomen,	do.	
„	960	„ Michael Murphy	wound through thigh, tomahawked,	do.	
„	894	„ John Kenny	ditto ditto head, ditto,	do.	
„	3734	„ Robert Ridyard	ditto ditto, ditto,	do.	
„	929	„ Henry Paris	ditto ditto, ditto,	do.	
„	4549	„ John Flynn	ditto right elbow, severe.		
„	4281	„ James Bleasdale	ditto left thigh, severe.		
„	159	„ George Box	ditto left shoulder, severe.		
„	4370	„ James Riordan	ditto, ditto.		
„	831	„ Phelan Brown	ditto, ditto.		
„	4527	„ John Loyden	ditto, right breast, danger- ously.		
„	664	„ John Barley	ditto right arm, severe.		
„	653	„ John Cunningham	ditto left arm, severe.		
„	853	„ Arthur Poor	ditto right arm, severe.		
„	363	„ Thomas Dobell	ditto left leg, severe.		
„	429	„ William Griffin	ditto left foot, severe.		
„	727	„ William Miles	ditto through left hand, severe.		
„	782	„ Esau Christopher	ditto right hip and left arm, dangerously.		
„	4050	„ Boaz Handover	ditto left thigh, severe.		
„	4182	„ Robert Barnett	ditto, left hip, severe.		
„	4116	„ Michael Burke	ditto left hand, severe.		
„	4253	„ Henry Hargraves	ditto right shoulder, slight.		
„	6224	„ William Crout	ditto right leg, severe.		

Two horses, Military Train, killed.  
One ditto, ditto, wounded.

R. WADDY, Brigadier-General,  
Commanding Field Force.

