

The risks attendant on such meetings, when viewed as a permanent institution in the Colony, are obvious. But the advantages are more important and immediate. I consider your Ministry to have judged well, both in providing for a repetition of the experiment and in reserving to themselves full power to arrest it, in case it should become formidable.

To what extent the expenses of the war should be defrayed from Colonial funds is a question on which I shall address you hereafter. I must, however, express my great surprise at the suggestion which appears to have dropped in debate from the Colonial Secretary that, in a war which is so peculiarly a settlers' war, part of the expense of the Volunteers and Militia should be borne by Great Britain.

The suggestions made in the House of Assembly for the better Government of the Natives and for facilitating the purchase of their lands open a large field, on which it would be premature to enter. I will only say that, on both these points I am extremely anxious to co-operate cordially with the Colonial Government, and that the general tone of the recent debates leads me to hope that I shall be able to do so.

I have, &c.,

NEWCASTLE.

Governor Gore Browne, C. B.,
&c., &c., &c.

No. 10.

COPY OF A DESPATCH FROM HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF NEWCASTLE, TO GOVERNOR GORE
BROWNE, C.B.

Downing Street,
16th December, 1860.

SIR,—

I have to acquaint you that Her Majesty's Government have decided on sending a second battalion of Infantry from India to reinforce the Troops serving in New Zealand,—and instructions have been conveyed by the Secretary of State for India to the Governor General to despatch a Regiment from that country.

You will be then reinforced in all by one Battalion from England, and by two from India.

I have, &c.,

NEWCASTLE.

Governor Gore Browne, C.B.,
&c., &c., &c.

No. 11.

COPY OF A DESPATCH FROM HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF NEWCASTLE, TO GOVERNOR GORE
BROWNE, C.B.

Downing Street,
26th January, 1861.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 106 of the 22nd of October forwarding two Addresses which have been presented to you by certain Inhabitants of Wellington, and the residents in the valley of the Hutt respectively.

I have been glad to receive this testimony of the approval by the Inhabitants of those districts whose names are affixed to the Addresses, of the measures which you have adopted for quelling the Native outbreak in New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

NEWCASTLE.

Governor Gore Browne, C.B.,
&c., &c., &c.

No. 12.

COPY OF A DESPATCH FROM HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF NEWCASTLE, TO GOVERNOR GORE
BROWNE, C.B.

Downing Street,
26th January, 1861.

SIR,—

I have to request you to inform the Bishop of Wellington that I have received and considered his letter of the 12th of October which accompanied your Despatch No. 108 of the 31st of

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