

their resignations in the hands of the Governor, and at the same time to place upon record the fact that their views have never changed since first they were stated in the House of Representatives in November last, and that they have had no other object in the course they have pursued than that of securing a permanent peace upon a sound and just basis.

READER WOOD.

September 29th, 1864.

Sir,—

We beg to place in the hands of your Excellency the resignation of our offices in the Government of New Zealand, together with our seats in the Executive Council.

30th September, 1864.

FREDERIC WHITAKER,  
WILLIAM FOX,  
READER WOOD,  
THOMAS B. GILLES,  
THOMAS RUSSELL.

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