

RETURN showing the present effective state of the COLONIAL FORCES; distinguishing the Corps which are to receive land.

PRESENT DISTRIBUTION.	STAFF.		RANK.							TOTALS.						
	Officers.	N. C. Officers.	Field Officers.	Captains.	Subalterns.	Staff.	S. Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Rank and File.	Field Officers.	Captains.	Subalterns.	Staff.	S. Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Rank and File.
<i>Tauranga :</i>																
(b) 1st Waikato Regiment ...	...	...	2	4	11	4	...	32	386	2	4	11	4	...	32	386
<i>Waikato :</i>																
(a) Staff ...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	}	...	13	20	11	1	29
(b) 1st Waikato Regiment ...	...	...	...	7	9	1	...	17	309							
(c) 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Waikato Regiments and Forest Rangers ...	...	...	...	5	11	8	...	11	273							
(d) Defence Force ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	22							
<i>Opotiki :</i>																
(b) 1st Waikato Regiment ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	}	1	1	3	...	5	4
(c) 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Waikato Regiments and Forest Rangers ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	
(e) 8th and 10th Companies Taranaki Military Settlers ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	5	...	36							
(f) Wanganui Bush Rangers ...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	3	67							
<i>Auckland :</i>																
(a) Staff ...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
<i>Taranaki :</i>																
(a) Staff ...	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	}	...	4	7	4	4	13
(d) 5th and 9th Companies Taranaki Military Settlers ...	...	...	...	2	4	...	...	9	163							
(g) Tokorangi Militia ...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	4	40							
(h) Taranaki Mounted Volunteers ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	29							
(k) Urunui & Mimi Native Military Settlers (European Staff) ...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	2							
<i>Patea :</i>																
(a) Staff ...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	}	...	5	10	5	1	16
(e) 8th and 10th Companies Taranaki Military Settlers ...	...	...	...	1	4	...	1	5	46							
Wanganui Yeomanry Cavalry ...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	3	32							
Patea Rangers ...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	4	38							
(j) Patea Native Contingent (European) ...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...			
(j) Patea Native Contingent (Maori) ...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	4	66							
<i>Napier and East Coast :</i>																
(i) Napier Military Settlers ...	...	...	1	1	3	2	...	7	119	}	1	2	4	2	...	8
(l) Defence Force ...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	25							
<i>Wellington :</i>																
(l) Colonial Defence Force ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	24	...	1	...	...	...	1	24
<i>Chatham Islands :</i>																
(i) Napier Military Settlers ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
TOTALS ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	30	55	27	12	103	1681
Awaiting land, but not on pay (Taranaki Militia and Taranaki Mounted Volunteers) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	5	69
TOTAL effective strength on pay ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	28	52	27	12	98	1612

- (a) Head Quarters of Staff of 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Waikato Regiments.
 (b) Half this Regiment to be located at Tauranga, and half at Opotiki; all on pay at present.
 (c) 1,698 all ranks off pay and on their land, of whom 1,462 draw rations; 99 at present are employed in the Commissariat Transport Corps, and paid by Imperial Government; the remainder of the men on pay will be located as soon as land is provided.
 (d) These men are at present stationed at White Cliffs and Mataitawa, but will shortly be located at Patea.
 (e) All on pay; the last detachments of these men are now on their way from Opotiki to Patea.
 (f) Now on their way to Patea.
 (g) This is one of the Companies of Taranaki Militia who were promised land north of Waitara, but as it was subsequently found that the claims of the Friendly Natives would only admit of one Company being located there, the 2nd Company are to have land at Patea; not on pay.
 (h) This is a Company of Taranaki Volunteers for whom there is no land at Taranaki; not on pay.
 (i) Land for these men is to be provided by the Provincial Government of Hawke's Bay.
 (j) Now being organized by Major McDonnell; there are 92 all ranks to receive land in the Patea District for services at Opotiki and West Coast Campaign.
 (k) In charge of Native Military Settlers, who will be off pay shortly and receive their land at Urunui, north of Waitara.
 (l) The Auckland and Napier Defence Force are entitled to land; no promise has been made to the men of the Wellington Force.

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