

SESS. II.—1879.
NEW ZEALAND.

CENSUS OF THE MAORI POPULATION, 1878

(FURTHER PAPERS RELATING TO THE).

Laid upon the Table by the Hon. Mr. Bryce with the leave of the House.

No. 1.

MEMORANDUM from the REGISTRAR-GENERAL to the UNDER SECRETARY, Native Department.

THE census of the Native population has been rearranged in this office for publication with that of the European population in a condensed form.

The small number shown of the Ngatihaua, a sub-tribe of Waikato, has been remarked. They are as follow:—From Mr. Jackson's return, 3 persons, resident at Hauraki and Lower Waikato; from Mr. Woon's return, 56 persons, resident at Upper Wanganui.

In Report No. 9 Major Mair states that he has not dealt with the bulk of the Ngatihaua, living at Maungakawa and Matamata, "who will be included by Mr. Marshall in his return."

Now, there is no return from Mr. Marshall amongst the series from which the census numbers are made up, and consequently it seems likely that a portion of the population, including many Ngatihauas, has been omitted altogether.

Will you inform me if anything is wanting to the completeness of the census as it now stands, and, if necessary, communicate with Messrs. Jackson and Marshall on the subject?

As the tables I have prepared will be required shortly by the Printer, any communications required should be made urgent to allow time to alter the figures.

WM. R. E. BROWN,
Registrar-General.

No. 2.

The UNDER SECRETARY, Native Department, to the RESIDENT MAGISTRATE, Raglan.

SIR,—

Native Office, Wellington, 23rd September, 1879.

I have the honor to enclose herewith for your report the copy of a memorandum by the Registrar-General, drawing attention to the small number of Natives belonging to the Ngatihaua Tribe according to the census returns of the Native population in 1878.

As you were directed in Native Office circular dated 17th January, 1878, copy enclosed, to place yourself in communication with officers in districts adjoining your own in order to prevent the possibility of any Natives being omitted from the census, I have to ask you to be good enough to state whether you acted in compliance with that direction.

No copy of the circular above referred to was forwarded to Mr. Marshall, of Port Waikato, as he was an officer in Mr. Jackson's district.

In the event of any Natives not having been included in your returns, I have to request you will take immediate steps to procure an estimate of the probable numbers on or about the 1st March, 1878, and forward it to this office at the earliest possible period.

I have, &c.,
T. W. LEWIS,
Under Secretary.

R. S. Bush, Esq., Resident Magistrate, Raglan.

No. 3.

The RESIDENT MAGISTRATE, Raglan, to the UNDER SECRETARY, Native Department.

SIR,—

Resident Magistrate's Office, Raglan, 3rd October, 1879.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication respecting the census of the Ngatihaua Tribe, and in reply to state that no copy of the circular calling for the census of the Natives was forwarded to me, but Dr. Harsant, late Resident Magistrate here, received one. I compiled the return for him, with some remarks, which he forwarded.

The return is shown in his name in the report of the census enclosed by you.