

which I have recommended to be taken to place the Forces and Defences in a state of efficiency should be carried out; and (9) that I should be given full powers to insure that proper discipline in the Forces should be maintained.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

FRANCIS J. FOX,

Local Lieut.-Colonel and Colonel N.Z. Militia,

Commandant, N.Z. Forces.

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