

I have great pleasure in reporting to you my entire satisfaction with the manner in which the officers, non-commissioned officers, and men of the Contingent have performed the duties for which they were organized. Their conduct has been most exemplary throughout. All orders have been cheerfully and readily obeyed, and there has been an excellent understanding and spirit prevailing among all ranks. I can honestly say that no better impression was created in England by any of the Colonial contingents than that created by the New Zealand Contingent, and that their work and behaviour there can reflect nothing but honour upon themselves and the colony they so well represented. The Maori members of the Contingent received great attention and attracted much notice in England, both on the part of Royalty and of the people, and I have much pleasure in adding that, by their close attention to their drill, they were quite up to the work required of them.

My best thanks are specially due to Captain Robin for instruction in mounted drill to the Contingent on the voyage Home, and also to him and to Captain Tunuiarangi and Lieutenant Pringle for the zealous assistance they have afforded me, and for the prompt and ready way in which they have carried out all orders and performed their duties generally. I have much pleasure in respectfully recommending their services to the favourable consideration of the Government.

I desire also to call your attention to the zealous and excellent services of Sergeant-Major Rogers. Both on the homeward and outward voyages and during the whole time in England he was unremitting in the performance of his duties, to which he gave the closest attention at all times. He stayed the whole time with those of the Contingent who were in barracks after the 5th July last, and in every way has done his work in an entirely satisfactory manner. I especially desire to recommend him to the favourable consideration of the Government.

I was much struck with the want of knowledge concerning the Colony of New Zealand among the bulk of those of the English people with whom I came in contact. I believe the presence of the Contingent in England at the Jubilee celebration has conduced very much to the creation of an interest in New Zealand, and has been a very excellent advertisement for the colony.

The R.M.S. "Ruahine" arrived at Wellington this day.

I have, &c.,

ALBERT PITT, Lieut.-Colonel,
Commanding Contingent.

The Commander of the Forces, Defence Office, Wellington.

Nominal Roll of Members of the New Zealand Diamond Jubilee Contingent who returned to New Zealand in R.M.S. "Ruahine."

1. Lieut.-Colonel Albert Pitt, V.D.	12. Private William Grant.
2. Captain Alfred William Robin.	14. " Henry John Hamilton.
3. Lieutenant David Pringle.	15. " James Joseph Henderson.
4. Sergeant-Major Charles Rogers.	16. " Richard Lloyd.
5. Sergeant Thomas William Slinn.	17. " Michael McDonnell.
6. Corporal George Reginald Haydon.	18. " Archibald William Montgomerie.
7. " Digby Edward Cardale.	19. " William Arthur Morgan.
8. Private William Thomas Burr.	20. " William Marshall.
9. " Thomas Close.	21. " William Parsons.
10. " Frederick Charles Chegwin (bugler).	22. " John Watson.
11. " Charles Crosby.	23. " William O'Neill.

Nominal Roll of Maori Members of the Contingent who returned to New Zealand by R.M.S. "Ruahine."

24. Captain Tunuiarangi.	32. Private Tutuhonouku Korako.
25. Company Sergeant-Major Kurepe Tareha Moananui.	33. " Taiawhio te Tau.
26. Sergeant Hopere Wharewiti Uru.	34. " Matiu Ahipene.
27. Private William Daniel Wi Tako Love (bugler).	35. " Ahere Hohepa.
28. Private Taranaki K. te Ua.	36. " Riwai Matiaapa.
29. " Tienei Wiremu Hipi.	37. " Rimene Witinitara.
30. " Tutu te Whaiti.	38. " Hoani Wiremu Tauri.
31. " Otene Karaitiana.	39. " Wiremu te Hiau Huru.
	40. " Ropata Heketa Manihera.
	41. " Hohiana te Puni.

Nominal Roll of Members of the Contingent who remained in England till Following Steamer should leave.

42. Sergeant Hugh Winfield Roll.	49. Private Ronald Muir Grant.
43. " Charles Leslie Sommerville.	50. " William Thomas Hazlett.
44. Corporal Frederick Freeman.	51. " Alfred Hutson.
45. Private William Boyd.	52. " Robert Topp.
46. " John Dampier Crossley.	53. " Alexander Williamson Rice.
47. " William Oliver Ennis.	54. " Walter Syme.
48. " Andrew Grieve.	13. " Arthur George Glover.

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