

## Enclosure 3 in No. 17.

MR. STAFFORD TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL MURRAY.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Auckland, 25th January, 1860.

SIR,—

Referring to instructions which you will receive from the Officer Commanding the Troops in New Zealand, relative to the employment of a Military force, if necessary, in maintaining occupation on behalf of the Crown of a block of land at the mouth of the Waitara, purchased by the Crown from Te Teira and ordered to be surveyed, I have the honor to forward herewith to you a Proclamation by His Excellency the Governor proclaiming that Martial Law will be exercised throughout the Province of Taranaki from the date of the publication in that Province of the said Proclamation.

I also transmit an Instrument appointing you to be the Governor's Deputy for the purpose of directing the Officer commanding the Militia in the District of Taranaki to draw out for actual service the Taranaki Militia, or such number thereof as you may judge necessary.

It will be obvious to you that the Proclamation should only be published by you, and operative effect given to the other instrument, under such circumstances as in your opinion render it impossible to carry out the wishes of the Government without resorting to the powers conferred by these documents.

I have, &c.,  
(Signed) E. W. STAFFORD.Lieutenant Colonel Murray,  
Commanding Detachment,  
New Plymouth.

## No. 18.

MR. STAFFORD TO SUPERINTENDENT OF TARANAKI.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Auckland, January 26, 1860.

SIR,—

No. 61.

I have the honor to transmit for your Honor's information copy of instructions to Mr. Parris relative to the survey of the land purchased from Te Teira at the mouth of the Waitara, and to inform your Honor that the Government will for the present retain and occupy that land on behalf of the Crown, for which purpose a Military force will be employed if necessary.

The Government relies upon the cordial co-operation of the respective Civil Authorities of Taranaki with each other and with the Military Authorities in the event of Military operations being necessary to carry out the instructions of the Government.

The Resident Magistrate at New Plymouth has been informed of the views of the Government on this subject.

I have, &c.,  
(Signed) E. W. STAFFORD.His Honor the Superintendent,  
New Plymouth.

## No. 19.

COPY OF A DESPATCH FROM GOVERNOR GORE BROWNE, C.B., TO HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF  
NEWCASTLE.Government House, Auckland,  
New Zealand, 27th February, 1860.

MY LORD DUKE,—

No. 21.

MILITARY.

Contrary to the expectations I expressed to your Grace in my Despatch No. 10, of 25th January last, the Chief William King has resisted the survey of the land purchased from the Chief Teira, at Waitara, in the Province of Taranaki. No violence was offered, but the unsettled state of the tribes both North and South of that district, and the continuance of the King movement led me to think it necessary to take every possible precaution to prevent bloodshed, the consequence of which it would be impossible to foresee.

I enclose copies of the reports sent to the Officer Commanding the Troops, by Lieut.-Colonel Murray, the Officer Commanding at Taranaki, together with such other information as I have received.

Private letters are full of surmises and alarms, and talk of a war of races; but I do not put faith in them, or anticipate any real opposition, when the Chief Wm. King sees that I am determined not to permit him to defy Her Majesty's Government.

I have, however, thought it my duty to make every preparation in my power; I have accordingly requested the Captain of H.M.S. "Niger," to proceed at once to Taranaki; Col. Gold will embark as

I.  
Colonel Gold, 26th Feb.,  
1860, with 6 enclosures.II.  
The Superintendent of  
Taranaki, 21st Feb., 1860.III.  
(Extracts) G. Cutfield,  
Taranaki, 24th Feb. 1860.