

regard the grounds on which Your Excellency has taken up arms to be just and necessary, and respectfully assure Your Excellency of our cordial support (should we be called upon) to measures calculated by a just and firm determination, to convey a lesson to the disaffected, which may speedily end present and prevent future outbreaks of the Native Population of these Islands.

(Signed) D. S. DURIE, R.M.,
and 375 other signatures.

No. 36.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR TO INHABITANTS OF WANGANUI.

Government House,
Auckland, 22nd May, 1860.

GENTLEMEN,—

I thank you for the confidence expressed in your Address to me, dated April 19th.

The collision at Taranaki was forced upon us much against my will, and now that it has become my duty to punish some who have outraged humanity, and to bring others to obedience, it is very gratifying to know that I enjoy the approbation, and may depend upon the support, of so many of Her Majesty's loyal and independent subjects.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) T. GORE BROWNE,
Governor.

D. S. Durie, Esq.,
and the Gentlemen signing the Address,
Wanganui.

No. 37.

ADDRESS OF THE INHABITANTS OF OTAHUHU.

Otahuhu, April 23rd, 1860.

To His Excellency Colonel Thomas Gore Browne, C.B., Governor, &c., New Zealand.

We, the undersigned Settlers, residing chiefly in the Otahuhu and neighbouring districts, beg respectfully to express to your Excellency the confidence we feel in the measures you have taken to put down the rebellious Natives who have appeared in arms against the Queen's authority in Taranaki. We make no doubt that ere long these offenders will receive that punishment which they have so richly deserved. We also take the opportunity of stating that your Excellency may rely on our services at any moment you may think fit to call for them; and we believe that not only those who have signed this paper, but that all good and loyal settlers will answer most promptly to the summons. We feel confident that your Excellency will not relax your efforts until the Queen's undivided authority is acknowledged and submitted to over the whole of the Islands of New Zealand, so that justice may be administered equally both to the English and Native population.

(Signed) M. G. NIXON.

[Here follow 77 other signatures.]

No. 38.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR TO INHABITANTS OF OTAHUHU.

Government House, 24th April, 1860.

GENTLEMEN,—

I beg you to accept my sincere thanks for the Address I have this day received from you.

Publicity as to intended operations would in most cases defeat the object we all desire to attain; the assurance, therefore, that I enjoy your confidence, and that gallant men are ready to aid me when required, is particularly gratifying at the present time.

In return, I can assure you that no exertion shall be wanting on my part to inflict severe chastisement on those who have dared to violate our territory, and murder our unarmed settlers, and to place the Colony in a position to defy any future attacks, should such ever be again meditated.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) T. GORE BROWNE,

Col. Nixon, Albin Martin, Esq.,
and the Gentlemen signing the Address,
Otahuhu.