FURTHER PAPERS

RELATIVE TO THE

NATIVE INSURRECTION.

(In continuation of Papers presented on the 18th June, 1861.)

FURTHER PAPERS RELATIVE TO THE N A T I V E I N S U R R E C T I O N.

No. 1.

COPY OF A DESPATCH FROM HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF NEWCASTLE TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

Downing-street, 26th April, 1861.

Sir,-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 12, of the 24th of January, enclosing a pamphlet which has been printed for dissemination among the Natives, con-

taining extracts from Sir W. Martin's pamphlet, entitled "The Taranaki Question."

I have to express to you my approval of the Proclamation which you have issued for the purpose of inducing loyal subjects of Her Majesty to refrain from publishing opinions which may tend to impugn the justice and legality of the course pursued by Her Majesty's Government during the present juncture of affairs in New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

NEWCASTLE.

Governor Gore Browne, C.B., &c., &c.,

No. 2.

COPY OF A DESPATCH FROM HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF NEWCASTLE TO THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT OF NEW ZEALAND.

Downing-street, 26th June, 1861.

SIR,-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Governor Browne's Despatches of the numbers and

dates noted in the margin.

Her Majesty's Government have learned with much satisfaction that the negotiations for peace 4th Apr for which some of the Native Chiefs had expressed an anxiety to treat, had resulted in the retire-7th ... ment of the Waikatos to their own territory, the acceptance by Wi Kingi's principal partizan of ... the terms which Governor Browne had dictated, and the abandonment of any warlike operations, 13th ... at least for the present, by W. Kingi himself.

I have much pleasure in stating that Her Majesty's Government consider the proceedings by which Governor Browne obtained this result to have been very judicious, and to be deserving of their full approval; and I may here add that I am of opinion that he acted very wisely in treating, as he did, with each party separately, and refusing to recognise on the part of Her Majesty, any one person or combination of persons as entitled to represent the various tribes who have been in arms against Her Majesty's authority.

I trust that the further negotiations which Governor Browne reports as being in progress with the Taranaki and Ngatiruanui tribes will terminate with their entire submission to the Queen's sovereignty, and that Her Majesty's Government may then be able to look forward to a lasting peace with the several Native tribes, and to a settlement of those complicated questions which will meet Sir George Grey on his arrival.

I transmit to you a copy of a letter addressed by my desire to the War Department, in which I have requested Lord Herbert to convey to General Pratt my thanks for the valuable services he has rendered to the Colony during the period he has been in personal command of Her Majesty's troops in New Zealand.

I have, &c.,

The Officer administering the Government of New Zealand.

NEWCASTLE.

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NEW ZEALAND.

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MR. ROGERS TO THE UNDER-SECRETARY FOR WAR.

Downing-street, 21st June, 1861.

SIR -

I am directed by the Duke of Newcastle to transmit to you a copy of a Despatch from Governor Gore Browne, forwarding a copy of a letter which he addressed to Major-General Pratt on the General's departure from New Zealand for Victoria.

In laying this Despatch before the Secretary of State for War for his information, I am to request that you will at the same time state to his Lordship that the Duke of Newcastle has much pleasure in acknowledging the services rendered to the Colony of New Zealand and the Government by General Pratt, in bringing to a close, at least for the present, a war of a peculiar and difficult character, and which might have involved great disasters to the inhabitants of the Colony.

The Duke of Newcastle is of opinion that General Pratt's operations were well and judiciously carried out, and His Grace would request Lord Herbert to convey his thanks to the General for the valuable services he has thus rendered to the Colony.

I have, &c.,

F. Rogers.

The Under Secretary for War.