

2. I was obliged to leave New Plymouth the same day this action took place ; Lieut.-General Cameron had not therefore time to make a fuller report of it, but he will send one from New Plymouth to the Secretary of State for War by this mail, and I will transmit his report to your Grace by the next mail.

3. Lieutenant-General Cameron managed the affair capitally, and the conduct of our officers and men was gallant in the extreme. The natives occupied a very strong position from which they were driven with heavy loss. I never saw such a rout before ; they ran for miles. Our loss was one private killed, two mortally wounded, and three severely wounded.

I have, &c.,

G. GREY.

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G.

Enclosure to No. 21.

See "Government Gazette," No. 21, June 6th, 1863.

No. 22.

COPY OF DESPATCH FROM GOVERNOR SIR GEORGE GREY, K.C.B., TO HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF
NEWCASTLE, K.G.

No. 66.

Government House, Auckland,

3rd July, 1863.

MY LORD DUKE,—

Adverting to my Despatch to your Grace, No. 60, of the 8th of June, enclosing a short account of the action on the Katikare on the 4th ultimo, I have now the honor to transmit the official Despatches from Lieutenant-General Cameron in relation to this subject, from which your Grace will learn with pleasure how complete the Lieutenant-General's arrangements were, how gallant the conduct of Her Majesty's Forces was, and what an entire success they obtained. I am happy to say that the result of this affair has been in every way satisfactory and has produced a very decided impression on the whole Native race.

I have, &c.,

G. GREY.

His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, K.G.

Enclosure to No. 22.

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL CAMERON TO GOVERNOR SIR GEORGE GREY, K.C.B.

See "Government Gazette," No. 23, page 224.

No. 23.

COPY OF DESPATCH FROM GOVERNOR SIR GEORGE GREY, K.C.B., TO HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF
NEWCASTLE, K.G.

No. 67.

Government House, Auckland,

3rd July, 1863.

MY LORD DUKE,—

I have the honor to forward for the information of your Grace two letters from Mr. Buller, a Resident Magistrate on the South West Coast of the Northern Island of New Zealand, dated respectively the 25th May and the 15th June last, which illustrate the feelings of the Native population of that portion of the country.

2. In reference to the statement contained in the enclosure to the first of these two letters, to the effect that the Natives would have agreed to an investigation of the Waitara case upon condition that the proceedings of my predecessor on the one side, and their own conduct on the other, had been fully investigated with a view to the punishment of the party who might be decided to be in the wrong, I have the honor to state that the Natives have as a body declined to attend any investigation into the title to the lands at the Waitara alone, which title they say was quite clear and known to all their race, unless a promise was made to them that the whole subject should be first enquired into in order that it might be discovered who was to blame for the evils that had arisen in this case ; their idea apparently being that their claims to justice on the subject of the Waitara had