

RETURN SHOWING THE COST OF THE COLONIAL DEFENCE FORCE FROM ITS ESTABLISHMENT.

RETURN showing the whole Cost of the COLONIAL DEFENCE FORCE from its establishment under the Act of 1862 down to the date of its reduction by the late Government; showing the Cost separately for each of the Provinces of WELLINGTON, AUCKLAND, and HAWKE'S BAY.

COST OF COLONIAL DEFENCE FORCE, AUCKLAND.

	£	s.	d.
Pay of Officers and men to 30th November	18,350	3	6
Cost of Horses	4,231	3	9
Contingencies (inclusive of forage to Officers' horses, Farriers' expenses, rent of paddocks and stables, Officers' expenses, stationery, &c., &c., &c.)	4,517	19	0
Cost of supplies issued from Militia Store, for six quarters (partly estimated—See Statement A.)	999	18	11
	<u>£28,099</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>

This Force was reduced in October, 1864.

COST OF COLONIAL DEFENCE FORCE, WELLINGTON.

Pay of Officers and men to 30th September	33,673	8	10
" " to 31st December	3,369	16	6
Cost of Horses	3,058	0	0
Contingencies (as above) to 30th September	3,240	17	4
" " to 31st December	271	1	4
	<u>£43,613</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>

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COST OF COLONIAL DEFENCE FORCE, HAWKE'S BAY.

Pay of Officers and men to 31st October	23,454	8	6
" " to 30th November	412	17	6
Cost of Horses	60	0	0
<i>N.B.—This corps found their own horses, and received an extra allowance from Government for the expense.</i>			
Contingencies (as above) to 30th November	1,299	16	2
Goods supplied from Militia Store, Auckland	100	0	0
	<u>£25,327</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

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RECAPITULATION.

	£	s.	d.
Cost of Defence Force, Auckland...	28,099	5	2
Ditto ditto, Wellington	43,613	4	0
Ditto ditto, Hawke's Bay	25,327	2	2
Total cost of Colonial Defence Force	<u>£97,039</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>4</u>

19th July, 1865.

CHARLES KNIGHT, Comptroller.

(STATEMENT A.)

GOODS SUPPLIED from the MILITIA STORE, at Auckland, for the use of the COLONIAL DEFENCE FORCE, Province of Auckland, during the March Quarter, 1864.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Axes, 2 @ 9s. 6d.	0	19	0	Pannicans, 7 @ 4d.	0	2	4
Blankets, 7 pairs @ 25s.	8	15	0	Pantaloon (cord), 77 @ 25s.	95	15	0
Boots, 77 pairs @ 25s.	95	15	0	Shirts (serge), 120 @ 58s. the doz.	29	0	0
" 37 " @ 20s.	37	0	0	Shirts (Crimean), 30 @ 80s. "	10	0	0
Blacking, 60 tins @ 4d.	1	0	0	Socks, 100 pairs @ 1s. 3d. the pair	6	5	0
Forage Caps, 77 @ 4s. 6d.	17	6	6	Soap, 60lbs. @ 6d.	1	10	0
Greatcoats, 70 @ 27s. 6d.	96	5	0	Trowsers, 70 pairs @ 10s. 9d.	37	12	6
Haversacks, 40 @ 2s. 6d.	5	0	0	Towels, 50 @ 9½d.	1	19	7
Knives and Forks, 7 @ 2s.	0	14	0				
Actual cost of Stores for March Quarter	<u>£444</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>11</u>				

COST OF SUPPLIES FOR THE EIGHTEEN MONTHS THE COLONIAL DEFENCE FORCE WAS UNDER ARMS.

Actual cost for one quarter	444	18	11
Estimated ditto, for five quarters, @ £111	555	0	0

N.B.—The Force having received their original outfit, the supplies in subsequent quarters were chiefly required to replace worn out clothing, &c., and were proportionately less.

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CHARLES KNIGHT, Auditor.