

## FURTHER PAPERS RELATIVE TO MILITARY OPERATIONS AGAINST THE REBEL NATIVES.

EXTRACT from Captain ST. GEORGE'S DIARY, dated 15th June, 1869, relative to Mutiny at  
Fort Galatea.

BEFORE I left Galatea this morning, Nos. 1 and 6 fell in of their own accord, and refused to do any more work without they had more rations given them. Certainly the 1 lb. of biscuit and  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. of bacon is not enough to live upon. I ate all yesterday, in one meal, my whole day's rations. Altogether the Constabulary, officers and men, are in a very dissatisfied state. \* \* \* \*

EXTRACT from a Letter of Colonel ST. JOHN'S, reporting Mutiny in the Camp at Fort Galatea.  
Fort Galatea, 17th June, 1869.

I REGRET to have to inform you that the spirit of discontent with respect to the rations has broken out in mutiny at this post. \* \* \* \*

The men had refused to do the fatigue duty unless their ration was increased.

This morning early I had a general parade to give the division a chance of returning to its duty. I informed the men that their request for an increased ration had been forwarded, and warned them that nothing but punishment awaited those who would not obey orders. The fatigue bugle sounded afterwards, and not a man of the division but a couple of non-commissioned officers appeared. I then had a roll-call of the men of the division whose turn it was for fatigue, and found the number absent as per margin. The non-commissioned officers I have placed under arrest, but the number of 1 Sergeant, constables is too large to confine. If I had the authority I would at once make an example by 5 Corporals, assembling a General Court-Martial and trying the non-commissioned officers and every tenth man of 41 Constables. the malcontents. I fear, however, that the mischief doesn't end here. \* \* \*

Copy of a Letter from Colonel ST. JOHN reporting prevalence of sickness in the force under his  
command.

SIR,—

Fort Galatea, 17th June, 1869.

I have the honour to inform you that sickness is very prevalent in the force under my command, as you will see by the enclosed return.

No. of sick—56.

The disease is chiefly rheumatism and cold, but Dr. Brown reports that there are still a number of men in the force perfectly unfit for service, and who ought never to have been passed into it.

I have directed him to send me a nominal return of these men.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. Colonel Whitmore,  
Commanding Colonial Forces.

J. H. ST. JOHN, Lieut.-Colonel.

EXTRACT from a Telegram from Mr. Civil Commissioner CLARKE to the Hon. J. C. RICHMOND.  
Napier, 24th June, 1869.

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LETTERS from Colonel St. John this morning, date 21st, ten p.m., first and sixth Divisions A.C. mutinied; will not proceed to Runanga and Haroto. Will not work. Colonel St. John says will try and push through with sixty (60) men—great risk to run. \* \* \*

H. T. CLARKE, Civil Commissioner.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. G. S. COOPER to Lieut-Colonel HARRINGTON.

(No. 373.)

SIR,—

Colonial Defence Office. Wellington, July 16th, 1869.

I am instructed by the Minister for Colonial Defence to request that you will state for the information of the Government the circumstances which in your judgment rendered it desirable that you should quit your command and come to Wellington at the present time.

I have, &c.,

Lieut.-Colonel Harrington, &c., &c.  
Wellington.

G. S. COOPER,  
Acting Under Secretary.

Copy of a Letter from Colonel HARRINGTON relative to the disorganized state of the Field Forces  
at the Bay of Plenty.

SIR,—

Wellington, 16th July, 1869.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 373-3D, of this day's date, requesting me "to state for the information of the Government, the circumstances which rendered it