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# DEFENCE FORCES OF NEW ZEALAND :

PARTICULARS RELATIVE TO RIFLE RANGES.

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*Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 21st August, 1908.*

*Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing the name and location of each public rifle range throughout the Dominion, the cost of the land occupied by each such range, the cost of formation and completion thereof, and the number of Volunteer corps and rifle clubs which each range serves."—(Mr. FIELD.)*

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The ADJUTANT-GENERAL, Council of Defence, to the Hon. the MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

Wellington, 10th October, 1908.

Memorandum.

*Return re Rifle Ranges, ordered by the House of Representatives.*

HEREWITH please find a return *re* above, showing approximate expenditure to the 30th September, 1908, compiled from the Defence and Public Works files in accordance with an order of the House of Representatives dated the 21st August, on the motion of Mr. Field, M.P.

As the expenditure extends over a number of years, time does not allow of the amounts quoted, which are those of Cabinet or Ministerial authorities, being checked with the corresponding Treasury vouchers, so that, though authorities could not be exceeded, the expenditure shown can only be regarded as approximate.

W. H. WEBB, Colonel,  
For Adjutant-General.

## DEFENCE DEPARTMENT.—RETURN OF RIFLE RANGES, with Location, Cost of Land, Formation and Completion, and Corps using.

Name.	Location: Area, Sections, Block, and Survey District.	Cost of Site.	Cost of Formation.	Cost of Extensions and Repairs.	Volunteer Corps and Defence Rifle Clubs using Range.
Penrose (Auckland) ..	AUCKLAND MILITARY DISTRICT. 100 acres; part Allotments Nos. 5 and 6, Section No. 17, Blocks V and VI, Otahuhu S.D.	Taken under Public Works Act, Gazette No. 76, 25/9/02; compensation awarded, £4,000. £10, 8/11/05, bonus for discovery of site ( <i>vide</i> Petitions A to L, No. 30/05)	£744 2s. 4d. ..	£72 10s., 30/12/07 ..	Detachment R.N.Z.A., A Battery; No. 1 Co., G.A.V.; No. 2 Co., G.A.V.; No. 3 Co., G.A.V.; No. 3 Co., N.Z.E.V.; No. 4 Co., N.Z.E.V.; Auckland M.R.V.; Seddon Horse, M.R.V.; Victoria Rifle Volunteers; College R.V.; No. 1 Co., Native R.V.; No. 2 Co., N.R.V.; No. 3 Co., N.R.V.; Gordon R.V.; Newton R.V.; No. 1 Co., King's College Rifle Cadet Volunteers; No. 2 Co., King's College R.C.V.; No. 3 Co., King's College R.C.V.; No. 1 Co., Auckland G.S.R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Auckland G.S.R.C.V.; No. 3 Co., Auckland G.S.R.C.V.; No. 4 Co., Auckland G.S.R.C.V.; St. John's College R.C.V.; Eden R.C.V. Waikato Defence Rifle Club.
Waikato ..	17a. 3r. 3p.; Section No. 28, Block XIV, Ohinemuri S.D.	Crown land. Reserved, Gazette No. 67, 27/8/03	..	..	Waikato Defence Rifle Club.
Whangarei ..	18a. 2r. 20p.; part Raumanga Nos. 1 and 2 Blocks	Leased from Messrs. North and Rawnsley at £5 per annum	£25, 12/4/07 ..	..	Marsden M.R.V.; Whangarei R.V.; Whangarei M.R.C.V.
Cambridge ..	112 acres; Section No. 10, Block IX, Cambridge S.D.	Lease in perpetuity at £11 4s. per annum	..	..	No. 3 Squadron, Waikato M.R.V.
Hamilton ..	90 acres; Lots 7 and 9, Te Rapa ..	Crown land. Reserved, Gazette No. 48, 12/8/68	..	£150, 7/1/07 ..	No. 1 Squadron, Waikato M.R.V.; Hamilton R.C.V.
Waihi ..	41a. 3r.; Section No. 252A, Kirikiriroa ..	Crown land. Reserved, Gazette, 1893, p. 527	..	..	No. 3 Co., Ohinemuri R.V.; Waihi R.V.
Paeroa ..	17a. 2r. 17p.; Block XVI, Ohinemuri S.D. ..	Crown land. Reserved, Gazette No. 80, 29/8/01	..	..	No. 1 Co., Ohinemuri R.V.
..	2a. 3r. 32p.; part Te-Puru-o-te-Rangi. 2a. 0r. 11p.; part Section No. 8	Taken under Public Works Act, Gazette No. 72, 1/8/01; compensation awarded, £47	£50; 15/2/08 ..	..	No. 1 Co., Ohinemuri R.V.
..	1r. 21p.; part Old Goldfields Boundary Road ..	Crown land. Reserved, Gazette No. 72, 1/8/01	..	..	..
..	4a. 2r. 10p.; Section No. 3, Suburbs of Paeroa ..	Crown land. Reserved, Gazette No. 26, 3/4/02	..	..	..
..	8a. 2r. 28p.; Section No. 24 ..	Crown land. Reserved, Gazette No. 105, 1/12/05	..	..	..
Thames ..	Thames Survey District ..	Taken under Public Works Act, Gazette No. 35, 13/4/05; compensation awarded as under,— Waived .. £30 .. £13 ..	£50; 21/4/08 ..	..	No. 1 Co., Thames R.V.; Hauraki R.V.; Thames High School R.C.V.
..	26 perches; part Section No. 77, Block V ..	Waived ..	..	..	..
..	4a. 2r. 22 p.; part Sections Nos. 58, 59, and 63, Block VIII	..	..	..	..
..	13 acres; part Mangakirikiri, No. 3B, Blocks V and VIII	..	..	..	..
..	Part Mangakirikiri No. 3A, 45a. 3r. 5p. ..	Crown leasehold. Waived ..	..	..	..
..	9a. 1r. 32-4p., part Section No. 29c; 36a. 0r. 9-2p., part Section No. 29b; 29a. 2r. 17-6p., Section No. 29a; Block IX, Aroha S.D.	Taken under Public Works Act, Gazette No. 67, 1/8/07; compensation awarded, £457 19s. 1d.	£50; 2/12/07 ..	..	Prako M.R.V.

Location	Property Description	Lease/Transaction Details	Amount	Date	Notes
Hastings	WELLINGTON MILITARY DISTRICT. Part Lot 5, Subdivision A, Heretaunga Block; part Ngatarawa No. 1 Block	Leased at £8 11s. per annum	£100, 6/6/08; £58, 27/8/08	..	Hawke's Bay M.R.V.; Hastings R.V.
Eketahuna	Part Sections Nos. 45 and 2..	Leased at £15 per annum	£15, 19/6/08	..	Eketahuna M.R.V.
Palmerston North	22a, 3r, 30p.; part Sections Nos. 5, 6, and 7, Block XI, Kairanga S.D.	Taken under Public Works Act, Gazette No. 98, 27/11/02; compensation paid, £1,093 15s.	£10, 22/5/03; £25, 4/11/05	..	Manawatu M.R.V.; Palmerston North R.V.; Palmerston Guards R.V.; No. 1 Co., Palmerston High School R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Palmerston High School R.C.V.
Pahiataua	On Wellington City Council Reserves at Pahiataua	Leased from lessees at £17 11s. per annum	£7 1s. 6d., 5/3/03; £10, 3/9/06	..	Pahiataua M.R.V.; Pahiataua R.V.
Stratford	4a, 2r, 16p., part Section No. 20; 7a, 2r, 35p., part Section No. 21; 10a, 2r, 35p., part Section No. 118; Block II, Ngaire S.D.	Taken under Public Works Act, Gazette No. 65, 4/8/04; compensation paid, £777 15s.	£40, 17/3/06 (fencing)	..	Stratford M.R.V.; Stratford R.V.
Foxton	Part Sections Nos. 477 and 410, Township of Foxton	"Foxton Reserves Act, 1878"	£6, 13/2/01; £6, 5/8/01	..	Formerly used by Foxton Rifle Volunteers, and latterly by Foxton Defence Rifle Club, recently disbanded.
Trentham	1,171 acres, Sections Nos. 100, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109A, 206, and part 96, Hutt District, Block I; 95a, Or, 20p., Section No. 285, Hutt District, Block V; Rimutaka S.D.	Conveyance to Crown; price, £4,200; 8/11/00	£7, 27/2/01; £450, 27/7/01; £100, 9/8/02; £51 10s., 14/2/03; £30, 19/2/04; £160, 8/2/05; £75s. 7d., 11/4/05; £58 11s., 4/5/05; £300, 8/7/05; £98 6s., 31/7/05; £12 11s. 3d., 9/9/05; £100, 14/10/05; £100, 28/12/05; £100, 19/2/06; £200, 25/2/06; £55, 23/3/06; £500, 14/12/06; £300, 11/2/07; £50, 20/2/07; £10 15s., 13/3/07; £122, 22/6/07; £65, 17/9/07	..	R.N.Z.A. D Battery; No. 1 Co., G.A.V.; No. 2 Co., G.A.V.; No. 3 Co., G.A.V.; No. 5 Co., N.Z.E.V.; Heretaunga M.R.V.; Wellington City R.V.; Wellington Guards R.V.; Kelburne R.V.; Civil Service R.V.; Post and Telegraph R.V.; College R.V.; Zealandia R.V.; Wellington Highland R.V.; Hutt Valley R.V.; Johnsonville R.V.; Wellington Volunteer Cycle Corps; No. 1 Co., St. Patrick's College R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Wellington College R.C.V.; No. 1 Co., Wellington College R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Wellington College R.C.V.; No. 3 Co., Wellington College R.C.V.; Boys' Institute R.C.V.; Peton Defence Rifle Club; Upper Hutt Defence Rifle Club; Karori Defence Rifle Club; N.Z. Defence Forces Rifle Association Meetings.
Napier	Foreshore, Napier	Harbour Board Reserve	£50; 25/11/72	..	Napier Guards R.V.; Napier R.V.; Ranfurly R.V.; No. 1 Co., Napier High School C.V.; Napier City R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Napier High School C.V.
New Plymouth	26a, 3r, 10p., Section No. 138; 79a, 2r, 10p., part Kaikere N.R. 161; Block II, Paritutu S.D.	Taken under Public Works Act, Gazette No. 109, 14/12/05; compensation paid, £2,797	£18, 20/11/84; £7, 4/9/88; £2 10s., 17/9/91; £25, 7/11/95; £35, 8/5/00; £100, 24/11/02; £9 10s., 19/4/05	..	Taranaki R.V.; Taranaki Guards R.V.
Pūtiki (Wanganui)	6a, 1r, 32p., part Whakapaki No. 2; 8a, 2r, 28p., part Onetere No. 3; 3a, 3r, 28p., part Onetere No. 2; 2a, 3r, 8p., part Onetere No. 4; 38a, Or, 18p., part Onetere No. 1; 2a, 1r, 29p., part Onetere No. 2; 1a, 3r, 1p., part Onetere No. 4	Taken under Public Works Act, Gazette Nos. 48 (9/6/04) and 67 (27/8/08); compensation awarded, £3,767. [Note: The sale of old Range Reserve under "The Reserves, &c., Act, 1901," realised £1,549 2s. 7d.]	£2 8s., 6/4/06; £112 16s., 25/6/06 (caretaker's cottage); £4 16s. 4d., 15/8/06 (fencing)	..	Alexandra M.R.V.; Wanganui R.V.; Wanganui Guards R.V.; Wanganui Highland R.V.; Irish R.V.; No. 1 Co., Wanganui Collegiate School R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Wanganui Collegiate School R.C.V.; Wanganui R.C.V.



Location	Section Description	Legal Reference	Price	Reserve/Status	Notes
Hokitika	36a. 1r. 20p.; part section No. 1263.	..	£50, 8/6/07	..	Taken under Public Works Act, Gazette No. 98, 29/11/06; compensation paid, £181 17s. 6d.
Westport	3r. 23-3p., part closed road; 14a. 3r. 5p., part reserve No. 65, Block I, Kameri S.D. 15a. 0r. 3p.; part Section No. 13 66a. 3r. 6p.; Section No. 17	..	£104, 11/6/00	..	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Gazettes</i> Nos. 47 (30/5/07) and 98 (29/9/06) Conveyance to Crown, price £30 Crown land. Reserved, <i>Gazette</i> No. 57, 29/1/03
Brightwater	33a. 1r. 32p.; Sections Nos. 18-22, Block VII, Kawairi S.D. 2a. 3r. 19p.; part section No. 22	..	£46 10s., 2/3/04	..	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Gazette</i> No. 16, 23/2/05 Taken under Public Works Act, <i>Gazette</i> No. 1, 7/1/04; compensation paid, £90 Conveyance to Crown, price £190
St. Andrew's	3a. 2r. 30p., part Section No. 18, Block IX, Waimea S.D.	..	£20, 27/11/02	..	Conveyance to Crown, price £190
Kaipoi	CANTERBURY MILITARY DISTRICT. 17 acres; Lot No. 10, Reserve No. 641, Block XVI, Otaio S.D.	..	£25, 3/11/94; £30, £7/10/03	..	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Gazette</i> No. 60, 6/8/08 Crown land. Reserved, <i>Provincial Gazette</i> , 26/10/63
Woodend	134 acres; Reserve No. 270, Rangiora S.D.	..	£22, 3/1/01; £27, 23/6/05	..	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Provincial Gazette</i> , 1/4/68
Geraldine	288 acres; Reserve No. 807, Rangiora S.D.	..	£11 11s. 6d., 12/6/99	..	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Gazette</i> No. 36, 26/6/90
Ashburton	2a. 1r. 5p.; part Suburban Section No. 10, Town of Geraldine 38 acres; Reserve No. 2490, Westerfield S.D.	..	£75, 21/8/03; £100, 1/3/04 (footbridge) £25, 3/4/04; £4, 23/5/07	..	Crown land. Reserved, "S. P. and C. Act, 1885"
Albury	5a. 2r.; Section No. 3681 (Rosewill Settlement), Opawa S.D.	..	£10, 30/4/06	..	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Gazette</i> No. 52, 1/6/05
Lyttelton	10 acres, Section No. 276; 15 acres, part Section No. 258, Borough of Lyttelton	..	£2 15s. 9d., 9/3/93; £2 8s. 6d., 24/6/95	..	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Provincial Gazette</i> , 6/7/63
Rangiora	20 acres; Reserve No. 958, Mandeville S.D.	..	..	..	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Gazette</i> 12/12/68
Temuka	275 acres; Reserve No. 1073, Temuka River bed	..	£50, 24/11/02	..	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Provincial Gazette</i> , 15/6/69
Timaru	2a. 3r. 36p.; part Reserve No. 102, Patiti Point. Remainder of range is on foreshore	..	£26 5s., 27/11/02; £30, 2/8/07	..	Magazine Reserve
Sumner (Christchurch)	36a. 3r. 35p.; part Section No. 24077	..	£250, 3/12/00	..	Taken under Public Works Act, <i>Gazette</i> No. 97, 8/12/04; compensation awarded, £400
	62a. 1r.; part Sections Nos. 158, 410, and 10323	..	..	..	Conveyance to Crown; price, £4,250; 13/5/07
	20*75 perches; part Section No. 158 (closed road)	..	..	..	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Gazette</i> No. 28, 9/4/08

1st Westland R.V.

Westport G.A.V.

H Battery; Wakatu M.R.V.; Stoke R.V.; Waimea R.V.; Nelson R.V.; No. 1 Co., Nelson College R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Nelson College R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Nelson College R.C.V.

South Canterbury M.R.V.; St. Andrew's Defence Rifle Club.  
Kaipoi R.V.

North Canterbury M.R.V.

Geraldine M.R.V.; Geraldine R.V.

Ashburton M.R.V.; Ashburton R.V.; Ashburton Guards R.V.; Ashburton High School R.C.V.

Mackenzie M.R.V. (recently disbanded).

Lyttelton Det. R.N.Z.A.; No. 1 Co., G.A.V.; No. 2 Co., G.A.V.; Lyttelton G.A.C.V.  
Rangiora R.V.

Temuka R.V.

South Canterbury M.R.V.; South Canterbury Volunteers Reserve; Timaru City R.V.; Port Guards R.V.; Timaru R.V.; Timaru High School R.C.V.

E Battery; No. 1 Co., N.Z.E.V.; Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry Volunteers; Canterbury M.R.V.; Christchurch City Guards R.V.; Christ's College R.V.; Christchurch City R.V.; Imperial R.V.; Christchurch Volunteer Cycle Corps; Sydenham R.V.; Linwood R.V.; Civil Service R.V.; Canterbury Highland R.V.; Canterbury Native R.V.; Christ's College R.C.; No. 1 Co., Christchurch High School R.C.; Queen's R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Christchurch High School R.C.; Technical College R.C.

## DEFENCE DEPARTMENT.—RETURN OF RIFLE RANGES, &amp;c.—continued.

Name.	Location: Area, Sections, Block, and Survey District.	Cost of Site.	Cost of Formation.	Cost of Extensions and Repairs.	Volunteer Corps and Defence Rifle Clubs using Range.
Winton ..	OTAGO MILITARY DISTRICT. 24a. 1r. 2lp.; Sections Nos. 75-77, Block VII, Winton Hundred, Southland S.D.	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Gazettes</i> Nos. 12 (13/2/02) and 48 (9/6/04)	£75, 6/4/05 ..	..	Winton R.V.
Clutha ..	6a. 0r. 24p.; Section No. 30A, Block II, Barnago Settlement, Hillend S.D.	Crown land. Reserved, <i>Gazette</i> No. 17, 1/3/06. £25 refund to Land for Settlements Account	£16 10s., 2/10/00 ..	£25, 10/12/01 (fencing)	Clutha M.R.V.; Clutha R.V.
Oamaru ..	Foreshore opposite Sections Nos. 41-43, 51, and 53, Block IV, Oamaru S.D.	License to occupy from Commissioner of Crown Lands	£75, 21/2/99 ..	£6, 28/7/02; £60, 31/11/06	North Otago M.R.V.; Waitaki M.R.V.; Queen's R.V.; Oamaru R.V.; King's R.V.; No. 1 Co., Waitaki High School R.C.V.; Oamaru R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Waitaki High School R.C.V.; No. 3 Co., Waitaki High School R.C.V.
Grassmere (Invercargill)	45 acres: part New River Harbour Endowment	Leased from Invercargill Corporation at £5 per annum	£250, 28/12/00 ..	£33 10s., 27/8/01; £10, 1/12/06; £50, 2/8/07	Southland M.R.V.; Invercargill City Guards R.V.; Oreti R.V.; Awarua R.V.; No. 1 Co., Invercargill High School R.C.V.; Invercargill R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Invercargill High School R.C.V.
Alexandra South ..	10 acres; part Block VII (mining reserve), Leaning Rock S.D.	License to occupy from Commissioner of Crown Lands	£25, 2/9/08 ..	..	Alexandra South R.V.
Pelichet Bay (Dunedin)	2a. 0r. 8p.; part Town Belt and Northern Cemetery 9 perches, part Town Belt; 88 acres, part Section No. 51, Block IX, North Harbour and Blueskin S.D. [Note: 3a. 2r. of latter section subsequently set aside for infectious-diseases hospital site by "Reserves, &c., Act, 1907."] ]	Leased from Mr. Ott at £20 per annum License to occupy from Commissioner of Crown Lands Public Works Act, <i>Gazette</i> No. 1, 4/1/00 Taken under Public Works Act, <i>Gazette</i> No. 1, 4/1/00; compensation paid, £2,500.	£119, 1/6/00 ..	£140, 30/1/01; £15, 20/5/01; £14 11s. 8d., 21/3/06; £155 5s., 22/6/08	B Battery; No. 1 Co., G.A.V.; No. 2 Co., N.Z.E.V.; 1st Railway Pioneer Volunteers; Otago Hussars Volunteers; Dunedin City Guards R.V.; North Dunedin R.V.; Dunedin Highland R.V.; Dunedin City R.V.; Dunedin R.V.; Caversham R.V.; Dunedin Volunteer Cycle Corps; No. 1 Co., Dunedin High School R.C.V.; Dunedin Engineers C.V.; Caversham R.C.V.; No. 2 Co., Dunedin High School R.C.V.; Hibernal R.C.V.; No. 3 Co., Dunedin High School R.C.V.; No. 4 Co., Dunedin High School R.C.V.

Wellington, 30th September, 1908.

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