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No. 4.

MR. CARRINGTON TO THE UNDER SECRETARY.

New Plymouth, Taranaki, 28th June, 1862.

SIR.—

I have the honor to enclose the original letter from the Military Secretary to the Private Secretary at Government House, which, as desired by Mr. Fox, I have transcribed, filed, and communicated to His Honor the Superintendent.

I have, &c.,

Fred. A. Carrington, Engineering Surveyor.

Wm. Gisborne, Esq, Under Secretary,

## Enclosure in No. 4.

THE ASSISTANT MILITARY SECRETARY TO HIS EXCELLENCY'S PRIVATE SECRETARY.

Head Quarters, Auckland, 7th June, 1862.

Sir,-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ult., relative to the employment of the troops at Taranaki in making roads in that Province, and, in reply, am directed by the Lieut. General Commanding to acquaint you, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, that Colonel Warre will be instructed to furnish such working parties as may be applied for by His Honor the Superintendent for that purpose, the men so employed being paid at the rate of nine pence a day.

The Lieut-General, however, would request that the Superintendent may be informed that the troops are on no account to be employed on roads designed for the convenience of private individuals, but only on roads approved of by His Excellency and constructed for the defence of the settlement, or with reference to future military operations. He also thinks it advisable that, except in case of urgent necessity, the troops should not at this season of the year, be employed in road making at such a distance from their barracks as would render it necessary to encamp them.

I have, &c.,

G. S. WHITMORE, Major and A. M. Secretary.

The Private Secretary, Government House.