

TE ARAWA—1,951.^a *Friendly*. Leading men: Henare Pukuatua, Paora te Amohau, Petirate Pukuatua, Temuera, Arama Karaka, Te Matangi, Te Pokiha Taranui, Matene Te Huaki, Te Mapu, Hori te Haupapa, Rewi Tereanuku, W. Maihi te Rangikaheke, Wiremu Rupa, Wiremu Katene, W. Kapa te Rangipuawhe, Te Wikiriwhi.

NGATIAWA—659. *Mostly friendly at present*. Leading men: Opanui, Hohaia Matatihokia, Hori Tunui.

WHAKATOHEA—573. *Partly friendly, partly hostile*. A considerable number professed Hauhaus. Leading men: Rangimatanuku, Witeria Taawhi.

NGAITAI—Chief: W. K. Tutehuarangi.

WHAUAU O APANUI—Leading men: Tatana Ngatawa, Hamiora Reweti.

TE UREWERA—500. *In active rebellion*. Leading men: Harehare, Hamiora Takurua, Te Hiko o te Rangi.

NGATITIWHAETO—500. *Friendly*. Leading men: Te Heuheu, Te Herekieke, Poihipi Tukairangi. Hohepa Tamamutu, Hare Tauteka, Takeura Tauteka.

NGATIRAUKAWA—1,071.^b *Partly friendly, partly hostile*. A considerable number professed Hauhaus. Leading men: Aperahama te Huruhuru, Nepia Taratoa, Noa te Rauhihi, Matene te Whiwhi, Ke Koro te One, Tamihana te Rauparaha.

NGAITAWARERE—300. Leading men: Matenga, Te Hata.

RONGOWHAKAATA—1,000. *Partly friendly, partly hostile*. A considerable number professed Hauhaus. Leading men: Hirini te Kani, Rahuruhi Rukupo. Henare Potae, Te Paratene Turangi.

NGATIPOROU—4,500. *Partly friendly, partly hostile*. A considerable number professed Hauhaus. Leading men: Wiki te Matehe, Mokena Kohere, Iharaia te Houkamau, Tai Ngaruru.

Approximate total population in the Northern Island, including such members of northern tribes as are resident in the Province of Nelson, such as Ngatiawa, Rangitane, Ngatitoe, &c. 37,017

NGAITAHU AND NGATIMAMOE—Leading men: Pita te Hori, Matiaha Tiramorehu, Honi Topi Patuke 1,500

Approximate Total Population 38,517

No. 37.

COPY of a DESPATCH from Governor Sir G. F. BOWEN, G.C.M.G., to His Grace the Duke of BUCKINGHAM.

(No. 23.) Government House, Wellington,
MY LORD DUKE,— 17th March, 1868.

Enclosure with
Sub-Enclosure.

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for your Grace's information, an able and interesting Memorandum, prepared at my request, by Mr. John Hall, one of the Ministers of this Colony, respecting the new County of Westland, recently established in the Middle Island of New Zealand under the provisions of the Act No. 25 of 1867.

2. It will be seen that this measure is an important modification of the system of Provincial Governments, erected by "The New Zealand Constitution Act 1852."

3. Two political parties have developed themselves in this Colony, under the names of Centralists and Provincialists. They are somewhat analogous to the two great parties in America, the Federalists, and the advocates of the so-called sovereign rights of the separate States. Here the Centralists would be glad to see the Provincial Governments gradually replaced by Municipal institutions on an extended scale; while the Provincialists prefer the maintenance, with some modifications, of the general system established in 1852. As this is a political controversy of local concern, and which must be discussed and decided in the Colonial Parliament, it is, of course, the duty of the Representative of the Crown to abstain carefully from even the appearance of interfering on either side.

Extract from
Nelson Examiner,
Jan. 31, 1868.
Sir D. Monro's
Speech.

I forward herewith the copy of an address recently delivered by Sir David Monro, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in which the views of the Centralists are set forth; and also the copy of a recent speech of Mr. Fox, formerly Colonial Secretary of New Zealand, controverting those views.

Mr. Fox's Speech
at Wangunui.

I have, &c.,
His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos. G. F. BOWEN.

^a This is probably an under estimate of the Arawa.
^b This number includes the Ngatitoe who have intermarried almost completely into the Ngatiraukawa. Also such of Ngatitoe as are resident in the Nelson Province.
Including prisoners at the Chatham Islands.