

The following is a summary of the disposition of New Zealand personnel as at 31st March, 1948 :—

New Zealand —					Officers.	Other Ranks.	Total.
Males ..	..	..	..	..	374	1,905	2,279
N.Z.W.A.C.	..	..	..	..	8	166	174
N.Z.A.N.S.	..	..	..	..	3	3	6
					385	2,074	2,459
United Kingdom ..					14	3	17
Pacific Area —							
Japan ..	..	..	..	..	199	2,050	2,249
Other locations ..	..	..	..	..	4	17	21
					203	2,067	2,270
The above total includes females ..					19	68	87
Total personnel —							
Males ..	..	..	..	..	572	3,907	4,479
Females ..	..	..	..	..	30	237	267
Grand total ..					602	4,144	4,746

CORPS TITLES

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the addition of the prefix “ Royal ” to the following Corps of the N.Z. Military Forces :—

- The Royal New Zealand Armoured Corps.
- The Royal New Zealand Engineers.
- The Royal New Zealand Corps of Signals.
- The Royal New Zealand Infantry Corps.
- The Royal New Zealand Army Service Corps.
- The Royal New Zealand Army Medical Corps.
- The Royal New Zealand Army Ordnance Corps.
- The Royal New Zealand Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.
- The Royal New Zealand Army Dental Corps.
- The Royal New Zealand Chaplains' Department.

ARMY SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

A continuous series of courses has been held for the Regular Force, the most notable of which were the courses for applicants for commissions, recruits, and N.C.O. instructors. In addition, a short refresher course attended by all officers of the Regular Force was held in December, 1947.

Tactics and Administration Wings were established at the School during the year, the staff for the former being provided by officers lately returned from the Staff College in the United Kingdom.

ARTILLERY

The installation of the remaining equipment for the coast defences was continued as fast as the acute shortage of man-power has permitted.

During October, 1947, a short series of Observation of Fire Courses for Regular officers of the Royal New Zealand Artillery was held at Waiouru.