

1911.
NEW ZEALAND.

NAVAL AND MILITARY CLAIMS.

LIST OF RECOMMENDED CASES.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

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Old Soldiers' Claims.

Department of Lands, Wellington, 28th August, 1911.

I HAVE prepared a report upon the whole question, which is attached. As, however, the several Stipendiary Magistrates only recommended for favourable consideration the persons whom they considered had established their claims, without making any specific recommendation, I append a list of the cases, with remarks for your guidance in arriving at a conclusion in regard to each claimant. You will observe that the number recommended is small, and it is evident that the majority of persons who had any claim for consideration, so far as the statutes governing the matter are concerned, have been satisfied.

LIST OF RECOMMENDED CASES, WITH REMARKS.

Name.	Service.	Remarks.	Recommendations and Suggestions.
Allen, James (M.C. 2571)	Navy	Claimant retired from army in 1865 and settled in Otago. Acts of 1858 provided grants would be made to old soldiers who retired to settle in North Island. Magistrate in recommendation points out that Act of 1889 extends "settlement" to any part of New Zealand. This is so; but it is considered that present inquiry does not give privileges now that did not exist at time retirement took place	Held that claimant did not comply with existing conditions at the time of retirement, and is therefore not entitled.
Baker, Robert (M.C. 77)	Taranaki Volunteers	According to <i>Taranaki Provincial Gazette</i> , 1872, claimant was awarded allowances under Volunteer Land Act, 1865, for five years' Volunteer service, and for four years' and a half active service. This was pointed out to Magistrate, who referred matter to Mr. Baker. Claimant denies on oath that he received such allowances. Magistrate, in the absence of proof that he did, recommends that allowances awarded in 1872 be now granted him. There is proof, however, that claimant received the scrip, as he admits in application made in 1896 that he "applied to Provincial Government and was awarded scrip"	Held that claimant received his scrip under Act of 1865, as set forth in <i>Taranaki Gazette</i> , 1872, and is therefore not entitled to further consideration.
Brown, John Henry (M.C. 235)	Hawke's Bay Volunteers	Has proved six months' active service. The claim comes under the Volunteer Land Act 1865	Grant of £5 recommended.