

1917.
NEW ZEALAND.

EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

(NUMBER OF MEN WHO HAVE LEFT WITH) UP TO AND INCLUDING 25TH REINFORCEMENTS,
AND THE RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS TO WHICH THE SOLDIERS BELONG.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 28th August, 1917.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing—(1) The number of men who left New Zealand with the Expeditionary Forces up to and including the 25th Reinforcements; and (2) the religious denomination to which these soldiers belong."—(Mr. NOSWORTHY.)

RETURN SHOWING—(1) THE NUMBER OF MEN WHO HAVE LEFT NEW ZEALAND WITH THE EXPEDITIONARY FORCES UP TO AND INCLUDING THE 25TH REINFORCEMENT; AND (2) THE RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION TO WHICH THESE SOLDIERS BELONG.

(1.) NUMBER of men: 71,921, of whom 1,476 are soldiers who have returned to New Zealand on duty or on sick-leave—*i.e.*, unfit for stated periods ranging from three to six months, &c., and been redespached to the front.

(2.) Religious denominations:—

Agnostic	47	Nonconformist	50
Atheist	19	Plymouth Brethren	140
Baptist	882	Presbyterian	16,431
Christadelphian	6	Protestant	646
Church of Christ	190	Quaker	7
Church of England	32,760	Rationalist	10
Congregational	397	Roman Catholic	8,711
Deist	1	Salvation Army	272
Episcopalian	9	Seventh Day Adventists	9
Freethinkers	30	Spiritualists	12
Greek	3	Theosophist	12
Hindoo	1	Unitarian	39
Independent	2	Wesleyan	1,311
Jewish	93	Not stated	4,515
Lutheran	125		
Methodist	3,662	Total	70,445
Mormon	53		

Returned to front on duty, as mentioned in paragraph (1), 1,476, whose religions had already been calculated in the above figures of 70,445.

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