

Camp Papakura 21st October 1863.

Sir,

I have great pleasure in forwarding a letter from the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Forces, conveying the thanks of the Lieut. General Commanding for the services recently rendered by yourself and Ensign Von Tempsky in your reconnoissance of the enemy's position near Paparata.

In transmitting the approval of the Lieut. General Commanding, I cannot refrain from expressing my own admiration at the courage and skill with which you carried out the duty for which you volunteered.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obed. servant,

M.G. NIXON Lt. Colonel

Comt. Moveable Column.

Sub. Inspector T. MacDonell
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Camp Papakura.

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Queen's Redoubt

October 20th 1883

Sir

I am directed by the Lt. General Commanding to request you will have the goodness to convey to Messrs. Von Tempsky and McDonnell of the Force under your Command his thanks for their exertion and zeal on the occasion of their recent hazardous visit to the neighbourhood of the enemy's position at Paparata, and his best thanks for the information they have given.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient

humble Servant

(Sgd.) L.J. GAMBLE Lt. Colonel

D.Q.M. General

Lt. Colonel Nixon
Commanding
Moveable Column
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