

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the city of
Chichester, in Council assembled.

The Council of the Royal Institute of British
Architects.

The Ministers and Elders of the Presbyterian
Church in England, in Synod assembled.

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the
borough of Beccles, in the county of Suffolk.

The Members of the Royal Berks Horticultural
Society, in Meeting assembled.

The Master and Boys belonging to the Ragged
School connected with the Church of the Holy
Trinity, Kentish Town.

Downing-Street, April 30, 1861.

An Address of condolence to the Queen, from
the Most Illustrious the Senate of the Ionian
States on the occasion of the death of Her late
Royal Highness the Duchess of Kent having been
transmitted to His Grace the Duke of Newcastle,
K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary for the
Colonies, for presentation, has been presented
accordingly to Her Majesty, who was pleased to
receive it very graciously.

AT the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 30th
day of *April*, 1861,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HER Majesty having been pleased to appoint
the Right Honourable John Frederick
Vaughan, Earl Cawdor, Lord Lieutenant and
Custos Rotulorum of the county of Carmarthen,
his Lordship this day took the oath appointed to
be taken thereupon, instead of the oaths of
allegiance and supremacy.

AT the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the
30th day of *April*, 1861,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HER Majesty having been pleased to appoint
the Right Honourable William, Lord
Kensington, Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulo-
rum of the county of Pembroke, his Lordship
this day took the oath appointed to be taken
thereupon, instead of the oaths of allegiance and
supremacy.

War Office, April 29, 1861.

A DESPATCH and its inclosures, of which
the following are copies, have been received
at the War-Office from Major-General Pratt, C.B.:

Head Quarters, Camp Waitara, New Zealand,
23rd January, 1861.

IN continuation of my despatch of the 19th
instant, I have the honour to state, for the infor-
mation of His Royal Highness the General Com-
manding-in-chief, that since that date, the 19th,
20th, and 21st instant, have been employed in
increasing and completing No. 3 Redoubt, and
commencing a double sap in a direct line towards
the enemy's position in the bush, and on the
morning of the 22nd I proceeded, with the Head
Quarters of the 40th Regiment, to the new re-
doubt, in order to its occupation, with numbers
amounting to 290 rank and file.

A little before daylight this morning (23rd
instant) heavy firing was heard from the front; a
report soon reached me that No. 3 Redoubt had
been attacked by the enemy in great force, and
that they had been repulsed with severe loss. I
reached the advance with an addition of 120 men,
and found that the enemy had made a most daring
attack on the advanced redoubt, which had been
met in the most determined manner, and a long
line of dead and dying Maories lay on the
ground; whilst there is little doubt at least
double the number of the enemy have crept away
wounded, to die.

I enclose Lieutenant-Colonel Leslie's very clear
account of the affair, and I coincide with that
officer most cordially in his opinion of the gal-
lantry of the troops and their officers. The two
companies of the 65th Regiment under Captain
MacGregor, were most effective in driving the
enemy out of the ditch of the front face; whilst
the company of the 12th Regiment, under Cap-
tain Miller (until wounded), afterwards under
Lieutenant Lowry, assisted in driving the enemy
from the ditch in the left face, and then charged
them with the bayonet through the high fern. I
regret exceedingly the death of that gallant young
officer Lieutenant Jackson, of the 40th Regiment,
who fell in the zealous performance of his duty,
and am happy to find that the wound of Captain
Miller, 12th Regiment, is not severe; and I beg
to bring to His Royal Highness's notice the officers
named by myself, and also Lieutenant-Colonel
Leslie, together with the officers named in his
report, and to add that in this as well as on all other
occasions in which the troops have been employed
here, officers and men vie with each other who
will do their duty most efficiently.

I enclose a nominal return of our casualties,
which are not many considering the desperate
character of the attack.

I also enclose a roll of the Maories, who up to
this hour have been recognised, and with regard
to them I have pursued the same course as at
Mahoetahi; that is, have brought in the chiefs
(noted in the margin)* for interment in New
Plymouth; the inferior chiefs and followers have
been buried on the ground, and the wounded
natives brought into this camp for treatment in
hospital, but it is known that many chiefs of high
rank were killed and buried on the ground as
minor chiefs.

* Poara Te Uata and Wirimu Hoeta Kumete.