

Hutt Cadets

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1868/3937 Nov 13 Letter from Lieutenant A. Braithwaite Hutt tendering the services of a Cadet Corps for acceptance by His Excellency (Lieut-Col. Reader, Officer commanding, Wellington)

1868/4188 Nov 23 With names of Officers elected by No.1 Company Hutt Volunteer Cadets (Officer commanding, Wellington)

1868/4376 Nov 17 With Nominal Roll of Hutt Cadets (Lieutenant A. Braithwaite, Hutt)

End of sequence

Letter 1868/4376 The Hutt 17 November 1868 Letter to Colonel Haultain, Minister of Defence Dear Sir, I have the honor to enclose a list of the names of the Hutt Cadets and I am requested to make an application to you for the material for uniforms and Arms when obtainable. I have the honor Your most obedient servant, Arthur B. Braithwaite.

Lt Col. Reader. Captain Braithwaite called today to renew this application for arms. The application ought to have come through you at first I imagine. Are there arms to give them, and do you recommend? Captain Braithwaite threatens dissolution of the Corps unless something is done soon. [signed] G. S. ... 10 August 1869.

I am having carbines repaired for these Cadets and hope to have enough to complete them in a week. [signed ?No.1] 11 August 1869.

Will Colonel Reader, as Commanding officer, be good enough to inform Captain Braithwaite to the effect of his minute of yesterday [signed ?No.1]... 12 August 1869

Have written to inform Captain Braithwaite that 40 Carbines have been repaired and are available for Hutt Cadet Corps [signed ?No.2] 12 August 1869

The Undersigned youths between the ages of twelve and seventeen years, residing in the district of the Hutt wish to become members of a Volunteer Cadet Corps in accordance with the Provisions of the "Volunteer Act 1865" or any subsequent Act. The name of the Corps to be the "No.1 Company Hutt Rifle Cadet Volunteers"

Edward Allen, Alfred Allen, William Percy, James Percy, James Wood, Thomas Hunter, John A'Court, Henry A'Court, Charles Hunt, Charles Townsend, Adolph Brown, Aaron Collett, Albert Collett, Charles Cudby, William Cudby, Vincent Ranson, William G...ook, George Williams, George Stratton, Daniel Harper, Alexander Pringle, David Pringle, Henry Robinson, Henry Ellerm, John Compton, Henry Becele, Benjamin Keys, Thomas Stratton, William Mason, George Avery, John Bruce, Alfred Dask, Henry Greeks, Richard Prigg, Ian Menzies, George Frethey, James Scrimshaw, Henry Heaynes, Edward Earp, James Cruickshank, Alfred Buck, Thomas Mills, Norman Beetham, William Welch, A. Rush, A. W. Hedges, Henry Stent, Thomas Sheerin, W. Parker, J. Kilmister, Walter Mantell

Letter 1868/4188 23 November 1868.

Dear Sir, I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting on Saturday last of the No.1 Company of the Hutt Volunteer Cadets the following officers were elected Mr W. Mantell as Lieutenant, Edward Allen as Ensign will you be ... enough to submit these names for His Excellency the Governor's approval. The Company now numbers 56 five new members having joined since I forward the list.

His Excellency the Governor is respectfully advised to make the undermentioned appointments in the No.1 Company Hutt Rifle Volunteer Cadet Corps W. Mantell to be Honorary Lieutenant, date of commission 21 Nov 1868; Edward Allen to be Honorary Ensign, date of commission 21 Nov 1868. [signed] T.M. Haultain, approved S... Bowen.

Letter 1868/3937 Hutt 13 November 1868

Sir, I have the honour to state that a number of lads resident in the Hutt are desirous of forming themselves into a Cadet Corps, and I beg herewith to tender their services for the acceptance of His Excellency the Governor. I may state they wish to be designated "The No.1 Company Hutt Rifle Cadet Corps". I have the honor to be Sir, Your most obedient servant, Arthur B. Braithwaite.

His Excellency the Governor is respectfully advised to accept the services of the No.1 Company "Hutt" Rifle Volunteer Cadet Corps. [signed] J. C. Richmond 18 November 1868. Approved S. Bowen