

NZAR ID 76 ARM TYPE: Carbine. Draft date (V2) 15 August 2013, Compiled by John Osborne MG DTT PhD FSG,
Pattern: Enfield P1858 carbine for Indian & Colonial use. Introduced: NZ 1860s. Withdrawn: c1880s?

Specifications; Maker: Enfield RSAF & Indian Factories. All steel furniture, plain one piece walnut stock fitted with sling swivels (front missing), similar to Enfield P56 cavalry carbine without saddle bar, and with the later Baddeley bands, also fitted with captivated swivel ramrod and brass nipple protector and chain. Barrel: steel 21". Caliber: 17 bore (.66") smoothbore. Muzzle velocity about 950fps. Weight: 6lbs. Serial Number: none. Vee fore sight and fixed vee rear sight, when loaded with either ball or buck shot effective range about 100 yards.



Lock marked Crown / V R, 1860 / ENFIELD British & Indian Inspectors marks.



No proof marks or other marks on barrel. Fixed 100yd rear sight



New Zealand Service: Available from most gunsmiths and arms dealers in New Zealand c1860s, popular with some early settlers, Provincial Governments Special Constables and Colonial Defence Force volunteer Cavalry who had to buy their own arms. This one owned & used by a member of the Hawkes Bay Cavalry Volunteers c1865-66 also used in NZ by some Provincial Goldfields Police.

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