

TONO BROWN KAWITI SN16/1432 - 4th NZ Maori Pioneer Battalion

Private Tono Brown SN16/1432 4th NZ Maori Pioneer Battalion was awarded the Military Medal (MM) in Sept 1917



PERSONAL.

The death is announced of the Hon. W. Beehan, ex-member of the Legislative Council. He was a native of Kerry, Ireland. He was born in 1853 and arrived in New Zealand in 1874. He was an ardent Liberal, and was called to the Legislative Council in 1903.

The hospital progress report shows that the following Northern men have been removed from the "seriously ill" list:—J. Hay, Whangarei; D. E. Mead, Whangarei; B. O. Heather, Whangarei; Sergt. H. Cook, Whangarei; J. L. Adams, Maungakarama; G. W. Shilton, Hukerenui; C. E. Cotton, Whangarei; T. L. Danaper, Hokianga; T. G. Adams, Northern Wairoa.

Tono Brown Kawiti, who won the Military Medal during the recent fighting in France, is a descendant of a line of warriors. He is the great grandson on both sides of the old warrior, Kawiti of Ruapekapeka Pa fame; the name Brown being added when Sir Gore Brown was Governor of New Zealand. He joined the Expeditionary Forces early in 1916. His home is at **Waiomio**, near Kawakawa.

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Rifleman Sydney James Long, reported missing June 7, now believed killed, is the only son of Mr William Long, of Pukekohe. He was born at Parnell and educated at the Pukekohe District High School. Prior to enlisting he was engaged in the coachbuilding trade with Mr W. James, of Whangarei. He left with the 17th Reinforcements.

Four North Auckland soldiers are included in the latest publication of military honours. The Military Medal is awarded to Private Henry Malcolm Beehre, son of Mr Sam Beehre, Third Avenue, Whangarei; Private Tono Brown, son of Mr Tahu Brown, **Waiomio**, Bay of Islands; and Private Herbert Underwood, son of Mr William Underwood, Paparoa. A Military Cross has been gained by Lieut. Harding Waipuke Leaf, whose brother, Mr Henry Leaf, resides at Whirinaki.

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