

ORMISTON, WILLIAM, 1824-1874. *Diary, 1859, 1861*. 23 1. Transferred from General Assembly Library.

Arrival in Auckland, journey to Whangarei with a view to settling there; Maori way of life.

OWEN, ALWYN PRICE IRELAND. '*Arawata Bill*', 1971-1972. 21 items. DONATION. Interviews and background material re William O'Leary 1865-1947, miner and prospector, broadcast as Radio N.Z. Spectrum documentary; 20 tapes and contents list.

PLAYFORD, L. M. *Time's Lessening Stream*. 106 1. DONATION: Mrs L. M. Playford, Palmerston North.

Unpublished autobiography describing childhood in the Wairarapa, service in England and France with Q.M.A.A.C. during World War I, return to New Zealand, travel and life in Canada in the twenties, England and marriage in the thirties and service with W.V.S. in World War II, ownership of craft shop in Cheltenham post war prior to return to New Zealand. Typescript.

REID, JOHN STANHOPE, b. 1901. *Papers, 1956-1964*. 1 m. DONATION: Mr J. S. Reid, Wellington.

Personal files kept as Ambassador to Japan, 1956-61, and as High Commissioner to Canada, 1962-1964.

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RICHARDSON FAMILY. *Papers, 1842-1857, 1873*. 32 items. Transferred from General Assembly Library.

Letters to Richardson family in England from George Moore, Wellington, covering whaling in Cloudy Bay, farming in Wairarapa, Wellington earthquake, 1855; further material relating to life in Australia.

RUSSELL, SIR WILLIAM RUSSELL, 1838-1913. *Correspondence, 1866-1915*. 1 m. Transferred from General Assembly Library.

Chiefly between Russell and family, covering political activities, Flaxmere Station, financial and family matters. Letterbooks, 1870-1909, chiefly relate to political and business activities.

SEDDON FAMILY. *Papers, 1850-1971*. 8.2 cm. DONATION AND PURCHASE.

Correspondence and papers of R. J. Seddon while Prime Minister, 1893-1906, re trade, South African War, Pacific and international affairs, Maori and other national issues, speech notes, commemorative material, personal and estate papers. Papers of other family members especially T. E. Y. Seddon: diaries, correspondence, papers covering childhood in Kumara, law studies, political and diplomatic career, war service; drafts of *The Seddons*, reminiscences and other writings. Collection integrates and reorganises all holdings of Seddon family papers.

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SINCLAIR, ANDREW, 1796-1861. *Papers 1814-1860*. 4 v. Transferred from General Assembly Library.

Chiefly correspondence reflecting personal, political and scientific interests from period as Colonial Secretary, 1844-1856, with G. S. Cooper, R. Fitzroy, T. Gore Browne, Sir George Grey, W. Gisborne and others. Journals of journeys throughout New Zealand.

SKINNER, THOMAS. *Journal, 1849-1856*. 123 p. Transferred from General Assembly Library.

Wesleyan missionary at Rotoaira and New Plymouth, describes Sunday school teaching and managing industrial department of Grey Institution, New Plymouth. Several letters to J. Whiteley.