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Mount Vernon papers, 1855-1900. 2 inches. Lent for copying by Mr P. R. Harding, Mount Vernon.

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PLAYER, Edward, 1818-1904.

Journal, 1858-1859. Photocopy. Lent by Mrs McGrath, Karori.

Voyage to New Zealand on Alfred the Great from London to Wellington. With references to Hon. A. G. Tollemache, a passenger. Records first few weeks in Wellington.

## RAVEN family.

Papers, 1862-1895. Microfilm (2 reels). Copied from originals in the possession of Rev. G. E. Raven, The Hermitage, Lyddington, Rutland. Correspondence between Rev. John Raven and his agents in Christchurch concerning the management and disposal of his property in Canterbury; diary of Mrs Sara Raven kept at Ravenswood, 1862, and a Raven family history, 1730-1970.

## ROBARTS, Edward, 1771-

Narrative of a voyage to the South Seas, 1797-1824. Positive microfilm, ca 9 ft. Purchased from National Library of Scotland, Edinburgh.

Robarts, on a whaling trip from England, deserted at the Marquesas Islands, married there and piloted and provisioned visiting ships until 1806. Thence to Tahiti and taken by Captain Dalrymple of *The General Wellesley* to Bay of Islands where he met George Bruce and took on a cargo of spars. Robarts left the ship at Calcutta and lived in India visiting Van Diemen's Land and Sydney. Includes description of Marquesas Islands and Marquesan vocabulary.