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The Society owns the two top stories of the new Wakefield House now risen on the site of the original Wakefield House where N.Z. Founder Edward Gibbon Wakefield died in 1862.



Photo: Ewen Hay-MacKenzie

THE RETIRING PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



MR IAN CAMERON, O.B.E.

Dear Members,

It is my pleasure and also a privilege to be able to send this message for inclusion in the Special edition of the Bulletin to commemorate the opening of the new Wakefield House, at 90 The Terrace, Wellington.

To all office-bearers and members of the New Zealand Founders Society who attended the opening of Wakefield House, and the many others who were not able to attend, I send greetings and good wishes.

All who attended I am sure will feel justly proud of the Founders "new home", and will agree that the name "Wakefield House" suitably associates the society with the early history of this country, and the important part Edward Gibbon Wakefield, shared in the settlement of at that time, the Colony of New Zealand.

The new House will be the New Zealand Headquarters of the Founders Society, and members of the Society living in all parts of New Zealand, all share in the building of this monument of honour to the early settlers who arrived in any of the six original provinces of New Zealand, not later than the first ten years after the official foundation of the settlement. I liken your Headquarters House to a tree, Your Headquarters are the barrel of the tree and your individual Branches are the roots. Let us keep the tree green and the roots strong.

It must be with pride and respect that we remember our forebears who accepted the challenge to undertake long sea voyages to this country, not knowing the conditions they were coming to; but all were resolutely determined to build a new and better country than the one they had decided to leave. Their pioneering spirit has built a wonderful country which has brought people from many countries together, not forgetting our Maori people. The blending of the races has produced in this country a race of people who can proudly claim to be New Zealanders, — one race — one people.

We who are the descendants of our pioneer families and share the comfort of living in this lovely country, must never forget the courage and faith our illustrious forebears had in coming to a new country few knew much about. History records their heart aches and the sadnesses they experienced and how the great courage and faith they had, was to overcome their worries and develop a new life for them. They have left us a heritage, and we all as Founders must continue to contribute our share for the betterment of society and New Zealand.

It has been the spirit of your members that has given confidence in undertaking the demolishing of old Wakefield House and building your new Home. A nine story building in which the New Zealand Founders Society owns the top two floors. The top floor being retained as officers, board rooms, reception and hall letting facilities. A top ranking caterer has been engaged and it is expected that your Society will offer a service equal to the best in the city. The furnishings, carpeting and general finish is of the best.

Your Dominion Council and Executive has given deep and considered thought to the building of the new Headquarters, and after several years of careful planning, you have a building that does full credit to your Society.

It would be unfair to mention names of all those people who have given hours of consideration and planning to provide the quality rooms the Founders have, as all on the Executive and Dominion Council have given their fullest co-operation in all respects. A Planning Committee was appointed to deal with the equipping and furnishings of our offices and rooms. They have I am sure, provided the New Zealand Founders with rooms, drapings and furnishings that do credit to your Society.

The Council was fortunate in engaging the Promoter, Mr Bagient, who has constructed a building that is both impressive and highly satisfactory.

*Ian D. Cameron
New Zealand President.*

The Opening Of Our New Dominion Headquarters Top Floor, Wakefield House, 90 The Terrace, Wellington.

The large gathering of Founders and those others associated with the development of Wakefield House II on April 8, 1976, will long remember the occasion. Many of those present, past Dominion Presidents, Dominion Councillors and other office-bearers from the branches or national office, would cast their minds back over several years, – to the purchase of the original Wakefield House and to that night not much over two years ago when members held an equally memorable function to say a fond farewell to our first national headquarters on the same historic site.

(No doubt sometime in the years ahead our descendants in their turn will gather to fondly farewell our second national headquarters in expectation of a third . . .)

On April 8, hospitality flowed and excitement in fulfillment of a "Founders Dream" grew as officials (among them those who have laboured so assiduously over the past few years to bring about the Dream), began to assemble and Master of Ceremonies for the evening, Deputy Dominion President, Gerald Bridge, welcomed all present and called upon the first speaker of three to open proceedings.

1.

Capital Developer Mr Royce Baigent spoke on behalf of the forces which made Wakefield House II a financial and physical possibility . . .

The Right Hon. Sir Keith Holyoake and Lady Holyoake, Mr & Mrs Cameron, Distinguished guests, Ladies and Gentlemen.

On behalf of my company, Baigent Developments Limited, I am very pleased to extend to you all a very warm welcome and I wish to thank you all for coming and helping us to suitably celebrate this occasion.

Shortly, both Mr Cameron and Sir Keith will be addressing you and I am quite sure that they will have much more interesting things to say than I am able to. I, therefore, intend to confine myself to a few comments regarding the project and to expressing appropriate appreciation to those who were most involved in carrying it through.

It was as long ago as 1970 when we were first introduced to the Founders Society by J.H. Bethune & Co., and developed the basic proposal of an owner-occupier building which would enable the Society to perpetuate its involvement here on this site, while at the same time, giving the property an economic utilisation.

Economic conditions at the time caused delays in putting the project together and

getting it off the ground, but I think that we can claim that satisfactory, and certainly harmonious progress, as between the Society and my company was always made.

Also, I have no hesitation in claiming that the end result is a very attractive, as well as a commercially viable building.

We hope that all will agree that it fits sensitively into the immediate townscape and we are certainly proud to claim it as one of our developments.

It may appear boastful for us as the Developer to be making such a claim. That isn't so, however, as we acknowledge that full credit for the physical and aesthetic result belongs entirely to the Architects, David Lough and Associates. It is unfortunate that Mr Lough is not here this evening as I would like to have expressed to him our appreciation for the job he has done, not only in the design and planning, but also in his conscientious attention to every detail during the construction.

Sincere thanks are also due to the contractors, Cubitts N.Z. Limited, represented here this evening by their Managing Director, Mr Ken Hogg, and two other Directors, Mr Ken Woodgen and Mr John Spencer, for the excellent job they have done in carrying out the building work and producing the result that Mr Lough intended.

Thanks are also due to the initial purchasers of floors without whose early commitment the project could never have started. These include The Government Life Office, and Morison Taylor & Co., along with Mr Bryan Todd and other members of the Todd family to whom, I must add, we are also indebted for their financial assistance throughout.

Others to whom we must express thanks are J.H. Bethune & Co., who brought all of the parties together and who are also part owners of a floor along with my Company; to Mr Denis Thom and Mr Ray Pethig, who have been the caretaker Directors of the newly formed owning company, Wakefield House Limited, during the

development period; to Mr John Clark, our company secretary who has played a major part in the administration on our behalf, and to Mr Ray Harris, who is the secretary of Wakefield House Limited.

In conclusion, Ladies and Gentlemen, I must say what a great pleasure it has been to have been associated with the New Zealanders Founders Society during this project and I wish very sincerely to express to the members the hope that they will have a long and happy occupation of these new premises. Similarly, I would like to express to the other owners of floors in the building the hope that their participation will prove to be, as I am sure it will, a most worthwhile involvement.

Thankyou.

Then the Deputy Dominion President, Mr Gerald Bridge called up the Dominion President, Mr Ian Cameron to address the gathering:

2.

Thank you Mr. Bridge.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Keith and Lady Holyoake, Distinguished Guests, Founders, Ladies and Gentlemen.

To-night I feel privileged and honoured to represent your society on this memorable and historical occasion, when this building of outstanding quality and architecture is to be opened as the Headquarters of the New Zealand Founders Society, and is to be known as Wakefield House.

You will agree I feel sure that our promoter, Mr Baigent, with his architect and contractors has created a building that will add not only beauty to the skyline of the city but will stand as a living monument to our pioneer ancestors. Those settlers who arrived in the six original provinces of this country not later than the first ten years after the official date of settlement.

Let us pause a moment and consider the quality of those wonderful settlers who in society came from all walks of life – all prepared to make a newer and freer life in a new country.

After a long and trying voyage to this country, let us try to consider their feelings when they arrived. They were met by the small white population and Maoris, who housed them in barracks, in slab and rapau huts constructed for their protection. From this accommodation many of the new settlers travelled on foot carrying their possessions to make their new homes and start a new life.

The heartbreaks and sadnesses were overcome in their strong belief in their Lord and their confidence in the future. History, records, as homes were built, churches were amongst the earliest buildings, followed by schools.

Those people, ladies and gentlemen, are the pioneers who made New Zealand.

Those are the people we are remembering today when this monument to the past is opened, and, ladies and gentlemen, the opening could not be performed by a person more fitted than Sir Keith himself. He has made his contribution to this country and, as a Founder in his own right, holds the highest honour our Society can confer on anyone – the For Service Honour.

The completion of this building marks the achievement and the ambition of many over the last couple of decades. This has been achieved by the careful thought and planning of your excellent Executive Committee. They have worked conscientiously over the past three years to achieve this.

I would not dare to mention names, other than to say the whole Executive have dedicated their time to producing this fine, well appointed building. The committee with your capable and able secretary, Mrs Anderson, have worked harmoniously to bring about this end. The New Zealand Council have given their unanimous support and confidence at all times.

One cannot allow this occasion to pass without mentioning Mr. Jeff Andrew who contributed so much towards acquiring the old Wakefield House. We also have with us Miss Irma O'Connor, the last direct descendant of Jerningham Wakefield living in this country.

We have a message from Mrs. Priscilla Williams, the direct descendant of Daniel Wakefield living in London. Through her it has been possible to handle the Wakefield Property and build the magnificent building. Mrs. Williams is proud that the founder, Edward Gibbon Wakefield's name will be commemorated in this building.

Finally, Ladies and Gentlemen, may I pay a tribute to the excellent committee who have co-operated and have worked so unanimously to bring about the completion of this building. Without their work and help this would not have been possible.

Right Hon. Sir Keith Holyoake GMCG CH, a founder in his own right and holder of the Society's highest award – the "For Service" medalion made the key speech . . .

3.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Thankyou for asking me here tonight to open the New Zealand Founders' Society's new home.

This impressive building is one of the most recent to be built on The Terrace and I think it fitting that the Society has found a place for its National Headquarters

right in the heart of the Capital City of New Zealand. The site upon which this building stands is the site of the original Wakefield House, one of the homes of Edward Gibbon Wakefield, one of the principal founders of the South Pacific colony which was to become the nation of New Zealand. But, in spite of the strong links with the past held by the original Wakefield House, the New Zealand Historic Places Trust would, ironically, never class it as historic. Thus, progress took its toll – The Terrace needs widening and the foothills motorway is advancing rapidly at the back – we lost the house, a house which had become a landmark in Wellington.

The Founder's Society had known for some time it would have to find a new Headquarters and it also knew the leasehold it held on the property, bought in 1949 for \$23,000 had appreciated to the extent that it was worth more than \$350,000. The house was sold to the development company – Baigent Construction Ltd – in return for two floors in a new Wakefield House.

It is interesting to note the Founders' Society began first to look for a permanent Headquarters back in June 1946 and inspected properties in Willis Street and Boulcott Terrace, before settling in the house in which Edward Gibbon Wakefield had lived for a short time before his death.

With a certain amount of business acumen – and I'll bet the property speculators of today wish they'd been around at the time – the Society made an offer of 11,500 on the place, which was on the market for £14,500. The offer was accepted and the Society had a new Headquarters – Wakefield House. Later, in 1949, the leasehold was bought and is held now by a direct descendant of Wakefield.

By letting one of its two floors in this building, the Society expects to build funds to be able to contribute further to the community, and on its own floor there are spacious clubrooms and social amenities for members. These amenities will also provide a meeting place for all kindred societies and other organisations. The National Headquarters of the Founders' Society will thus not cater solely for itself, but encourage use by the community of this new building.

When this Society was founded on 1 March 1939 with the concept of gathering together descendants of people who arrived in any original province of New Zealand within 10 years of its founding, the Founders were mindful of the spirit which has inspired New Zealand for more than a

century. The Society expresses unqualified loyalty to royalty and Great Britain and supports the government in all measures designed to give full and unconditional assistance to Great Britain in men, money and goods. It is by the Founders' Society ethic that future generations of New Zealanders will prosper – I wish the Society and all its members every success.

This 49,000 sq. ft. building, built at the cost of \$1.8 million, is a credit to the developers, Baigents, and the builders Cubits NZ Ltd. It is probably one of the first buildings in Wellington to use the incremental heating unit system and, if you notice, the foyer of this building has a bronzed glass recess to hold a plaque that pays tribute to the Society and Edward Gibbon Wakefield.

Ladies and Gentlemen, it gives me great pleasure to officially open the new Headquarters of the New Zealand Founders' Society, Wakefield House.

HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF

Irma O'Connor writes:

You asked me to write something about the opening of old Wakefield House, so here it is.

When the Minister of State, Sir Keith Holyoake, performed the opening ceremony of new Wakefield House on The Terrace, Wellington, on April 8, 1976, I too was irresistibly reminded of the mythological Phoenix, which rose from its own ashes with renewed and even greater vigour. For the imposing new 8-storey building stands on the identical site of old Wakefield House, which was itself officially opened on Saturday, September 2, 1950, with even more eclat by the then Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. S.G. Holland as a club for the N.Z. Founders Society, then numbering 800 members.

The other speakers on that occasion were the Leader of the Opposition, Mr Fraser; the Mayor of Wellington, Sir William Appleton; Mr. H. Seed, President of the Society, and myself as Edward Gibbon Wakefield's great-granddaughter and as such described by a member of the Press as "a very special guest of honour", together with my sister, the late Miss B.E. O'Connor. Both the Dominion on opening day and again on September 4 and the Evening Post also on the same date gave full and generous reports of what proved to be a most enthusiastic gathering.

Three of the rooms of old Wakefield House were part of Wakefield's original Wellington home. The house in which he spent the last years of his life and where he died in 1862. 17 flats having been added

at a later date. The land on which it stood and on which the new building, now stands was part of the original town acre allotted to Wakefield and must be kept in the family; but the Founders' Society purchased the old house and acquired a perpetual lease of the land. The place was left by Wakefield to his brother Daniel's widow, who with her two children lived with him until his death. Thus it subsequently came into the possession of Daniel's great-granddaughter, Mrs Priscilla Williams, of London.

As the Evening Post noted on the historic occasion of its first opening as a club, "there was crowding such as the old house had never experienced in its near-100 years, for the 250 people who packed into its north corner" filled the modernised main room, the ante-room and the hall, and overflowed into the entrance drive and down into the street. The descendants of many notable pioneer families were present, the oldest Society member believed to be Mrs C.A. Allen, aged 97, of Wellington.

After the speeches concluded, I have vivid recollections of meeting so many pioneers' descendants that my brain reeled, and of my sister and I, egged on by Mr. Fraser, being besieged by people with requests for autographs. It was for us an exciting and memorable experience.

Probably few of the new generation members know that the Society owns

many relics of early days, quite apart from books, pictures and photographs. One of the most valued is the Presidential chair, which contains kauri from a military block-house built at Waitara in 1860, and Australian hardwood from the cargo of the brig Boyd, burnt by Maoris at Whangaroa in 1809. Then there is Honduras mahogany which originally bore a brass plate dated 1720 from the pay-chest of H.M.S. Orpheus, wrecked on the Manukau bar in Auckland in 1863. More recently a portrait of Wakefield, painted for the Society in oils by the well-known Christchurch artist, John Oakley, was hung in old Wakefield House in May 1962, and now graces the foyer of the Society's rooms on the 8th floor of the new building, opposite the lift, where a light behind it throws it into attractive relief.

Members will realise therefore why my attendance at the opening of the splendid new Wakefield House brought back many poignant memories, and why it gave me such real pleasure to be greeted by so many old friends who remember or were actually present at the opening of the old house as the Society's club-rooms. It is my earnest hope that present and future members will continue to give as loyal and enthusiastic support to new Wakefield House as its first members gave to the old.

Irma O'Connor. (Auckland Branch).

EDITORIAL NOTES:

1. *This issue is declared to be a special edition to mark the Society's return to Ninety The Terrace and new premises on the top of Wakefield House II. It is also the first issue for at least two years; a period when it has been found necessary to husband our finances sufficiently to preclude any appearance of the Founders' Bulletin. For this reason readers will find its pages contain (a) some text that was pre-set for publication a year or so ago, (b) an amount of content that relates to some but not all branch activity and contributions received for publication during the intervening period. It is therefore a "catching up" issue. The Editor asks that omissions and imbalance of content proportioning be overlooked.*

So now, with much of the past two years captured in print and picture, let us all begin to look positively to the future in true Founders tradition. Please send written contributions toward future issues now that the Bulletin's flame has been rekindled . . .

2. *Collectors of the Bulletin will note that the last issue (dated December 1974) carried a duplicated masthead numbering which is corrected with this edition. (Vol. 19/1 No. 51).*

3. *We are especially indebted to two Dominion Councillors for the appearance of this issue. Ewan Hay-MacKenzie for the photography and Ted Gilbert for his special contribution.*

— Editor.

The First Government House, Auckland, 1841-1848

— Peggy Spicer

Miss M.M. (Peggy) Spicer has been a member of the Auckland Branch since 1952. She is well-known in Auckland for her accurate and artistic presentation of many of the older buildings, homes and street of the city — some of them now demolished.

She is a descendant of James Preece and Mary Ann Williams, Bay of Islands 1831, and of Sarah Gillon, Wellington, 1842. Her mother, Mrs Ella Spicer was also an artist and Lake Ella on the Milford Track is named for her.

The first Government House in New Zealand was a wooden one-storeyed cottage standing back from the road, according to Lady Martin. It was sent from England in pre-fabricated pieces and by October 1840 the mainpart and most of the furniture had arrived, awaiting the choice of a site by Governor Hobson. By 13th March 1841 when the Governor and his family arrived to take up residence in Auckland, only one wing in an unfurnished state had been erected. When Lady Franklin arrived a fortnight later to pay the Hobsons a visit the wing was hurriedly made habitable, and she and her maid were ensconced in it. The Governor and his lady occupied a near-by cottage and the children and their governess were in a Raupo whare to which was attached a brick chimney and cooking arrangements. On 4th August 1841 Mrs Hobson wrote to her friend Emma Smith in New Plymouth — “You will be glad to hear we are now comfortably settled in our new home in Auckland.”

Lady Franklin wrote that the House was to have 12 rooms including two adjoining drawing rooms with folding doors between. The wing she occupied was to become the Governor's offices and the second wing would house the kitchens etc. However these were not completed until 1842.

The cost of the house was purported to be £10,000 but Mrs Fitzroy, wife of the second Governor, considered that £16,000 was more accurate, saying that the row of “Oeil-de-boeuf” windows underneath the verandah which ventilated the cellars helped to make it so costly. The cellars could accommodate 500 dozen of wine, but being open makes the House cold, besides being quite useless.

The House was the same model as that built for Napoleon Bonaparte on St. Helena, but embellishments added by William Mason changed the appearance. The artist, G.F. Angas, described it approvingly as a long wooden building with verandahs and gable roofs and with verandah trellises covered richly with Clematis and a variety of beautiful flowers.

The first Land Sale in Auckland — 19th April 1841 — was held in one of the unfurnished drawing rooms.

Government House soon became the social and cultural centre of Auckland society. The first three social functions held were weddings which took place in the evening, and were followed by a Ball at which the Governor danced the first Quadrille with the bride.

Edward Ashworth, the artist, was engaged

to teach drawing to the two older Hobson children, and admired the drawing room with the gilt chandelier, the paintings, the handsome piano, and the cases of highly ornamented books, as well as the broad verandah screened with white trellis work, and the splendid bouquet of English flowers which decorated the drawing room.

Mrs Hobson gave a Ball during the winter and as the weather was bad, the roads seemingly impassable; but this did not deter the guests. One lady was wheeled into the house in a wheelbarrow by her husband. This was Mrs Outhwaite. Other ladies borrowed their partner's jackboots and waded through the quagmire, while amused Maori onlookers willingly pick-backed the husband over the worst parts, and then clustered at the French windows to watch and comment on the dancers within.

Colonel Mundy stayed at Government House during Governor Grey's term of office “where the intellectual society of His Excellency and his lady, in the enjoyment of daily novel scenes, and with a most excellent library, the time passed most agreeably. “However,” he says, “his quarters, although commodious, were not comfortable because there could be no privacy, no quiet or silent corner, for study or retreat. The muttered consultations between the Governor and the Colonial Secretary in his Excellency's study; the merry laugh of ladies in the drawing room; the audible arithmetic of the Colonial

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The Phoenix Factor

Although there is nothing at all mythical about the bright new building that has risen, tall, clean-cut and solid-looking upon the original site of Wakefield House I, the whole exercise could be likened to the legend of the Phoenix, that mythical bird, of gorgeous plumage, fabled to be the only one of its kind which lived for centuries in the Arabian desert before destroying itself only to emerge from its ashes with renewed youth, to live through another cycle of years. Such new beginnings could also be symbolic of events which led to our pioneer forebears themselves starting life all over again in a new land called New Zealand.

Something as big as "Project Wakefield House II" couldn't have been achieved without years of endeavour by a number of members, some of whom have passed on since it all began around the early 1960's. With so many Society members involved directly or indirectly in bringing into being our latest Dominion Headquarters on the top floor of the new Wakefield House it has not been easy to single out for special mention all of those concerned.

Apart from sterling efforts over many years by the Society's full-time Secretary, Mrs Elizabeth Anderson, it follows that those holding the position of Dominion President – such as Greenwood, Wall, Macandrew, Bensemman, Mansford (period 1955-1964) following on in the great traditions set by Presidents Bell, de Brandon, Johnston, Seed, Carr, Copper, Daysh and Riddiford (period 1939-1954) and Secretary Andrew, were all in their day instrumental in bringing about advances in the Society's stature, fortune and well-being – indeed their accumulative efforts in concert with fellow executive members and debenture holders, resulted in the acquisition of Wakefield House I on its prime site. However, it seems fair to record that the real brunt of developments leading to this year's happy event were shared by Dominion Councils led progressively by Presidents Pollock, Diamond, Buick-Constable, and Cameron (period 1964-1976) along with the fine performance put up over the last year or so by Deputy President G. Bridge as Chairman of the Wakefield House Planning Committee. While not for a moment over looking the encouraging tacit support readily given by former Deputy Presidents, by Branch Presidents, their Executives and members everywhere, the following alphabetically-arranged list is an attempt to accord credit where it is due (in a kind of abbreviated "Founder's Who's Who") regarding those who in one way or another gave so unsparingly of their time and talent to help evolve today's handsome transformation of the Society's National Headquarters from groundlevel to eight storeys up – looking out upon the country's capital city founded from faith,

vision, hope and with enthusiasm some 130 years ago by our ancestors.

Bridge, Gerald Hastings, J.P., b. 1911, Chch. Principal Founder ancestor: a farmer from Worcester, on "Randolph", arrived Lyttelton, 1850. Joined Founders 1962. Member Dom. Executive since 1968, Dep. Dom. Pres since 1973, Chm Finance Cte since 1973, Chm Planning Cte for Wakefield House II. Member Wellington Hospital Board since 1971, Hon. National Treasurer, New Zealand Red Cross Soc. since 1968, President, Wgtn Branch Royal Commonwealth Soc since 1974, Vice-Pres. Wellington Club since 1974. Retired Banker. m. Gwenda E. Is. Id./Pte Ad, Cooper St, Karori, Wgtn.

Buick-Constable, Lindsay Mostyn. b. 1919, Napier. Principal Founder ancestors: Wm. Buick, farmer from Arbroath, Scotland, arrived "Arab", Petone Beach, Wgton 1841; Isaac Mason Hill from Bristol, "Fife-shire", Nelson 1842. Joined Founders 1956. Hon. Life Member. Voluntary community service includes: Sec. PN Jaycees, Pres. PN Free Kindergarten Assn., Pres. Manawatu Br. NZ Founders Soc. (1956), Exec. Mem: PN War Memorial Campaign, PN Community Chest, Friends of the Aged & Sunset Homes Schemes, Maori Community Centre, PN Civic Centre, PN Photographic Society, Manawatu Repertory Soc., NZ Players Foundation (PN Br.), Brit. Drama League. Br., Chairman, Fiji Council of Social Services (1959-64), District Commissioner, Suva Scouts (1957-63), Member Scout Council of Fiji, Vice-Pres. Fiji Youth Centre, Chairman, Samabula Community Centre, Suva, Hon. Sec. Tamavua Bowling Club (1959-62), Member Fiji Bowling Council, Co-Founder Fiji Family Planning Assn., Sec. Fiji Society (1961-64), Member Fiji Govt. Health Educ. Cte., Educ. Dept. Liaison Officer, Fiji Broadcasting Commission (1957-63), A/Camp Commandant, Games Village, 1st South Pacific Games – 1963, Chairman, Fine Arts Sect. Fiji Arts Club (1959-60), Dominion President, NZ Founders Soc. (1969-73), President Wgtn Lions Club (1973/4), District Chairman, Lions District 202B (Youth Exchange) 1976-77, National Chairman, UN Human

Rights Year Campaign - 1968, National Executive Sec. National Youth Council of NZ (1965-68), Hon. Sec. Kelburn Progressive Assn (1965-69), Civil Defence Control Officer, Western Suburbs (1966-70), Civil Defence Control Officer, Downtown Wellington (1970-77), Exec. Mem. Management Cte. Stepping Stones (1969-71), Pres. Wellington Br. United Nations Assn. (1971-72), Member Fund-raising & Publicity Cte. Nat. CORSO Appeal Executive (1972-74), Chairman Wellington Br. Public Relations Institute of NZ (1972), Chairman, Combined Commonwealth & Kindred Societies - 1970, Member National Management Cte - Public Relations Institute of NZ (1971-73), Exec. Mem. N.Z. Asia-Pacific Assn. (1971-73), Exec. Mem. Canada - New Zealand Society (1967-73), Mem. (Cdn Rep) NZ University Grants Commonwealth Scholarship Cte (1966-), Exec. Mem. Wellington Diocesan Cte. on the Ministry (1965-77), Mem. National UNICEF Advisory Cte (1970-72), Patron, Victoria University Fiji Students Assn. (1965-72), Mem. Sub. Cte. 1971-72 Ngati Poneke Building Campaign, Fund-raising Cte. Member, Okiwi House for the Elderly Campaign, Eastbourne (1972-77), Diplomatic Service Public Relations Officer. m. Mary Sutherland (Gordon) 2s. 1d. War Service: 1939-45. Pte. Ad: Taumarua Ave, Lowry Bay, Eastbourne.

Burnett, Anne Noel, b. Karori, Wgtn. Principal Founder ancestor: Francis Otterson from the U.K. arrived at Nelson, on "Lord Auckland" 1842. Another distinguished ancestor was the Rev. Henry Hansen Turton, who arrived on the missionary ship "Triton", 1840 at Hokianga. Joined Founders 1954 and has served several times as a Dominion Councillor and on the Society's Historical Cte, etc. Community service and memberships include the Registered Nursing Service, Regional Council NZ Historic Places Trust and NZ Forest and Bird Society. Pte. Ad: Hamilton Rd, Hataitai, Wgtn.

Cameron, Ian Donald Arthur, OBE, MBE, O. St. J., J.P. b. 1899, Masterton. Principal Founder ancestor: Donald Cameron from Scotland, arrived Wgtn, "Blenheim" 1840. Foundation member of Founders (Wairarapa 1941). President Wairarapa Branch 1960's; Dominion Councillor, Deputy Dom. President 1972. Dom. President from 1973. Keenly interested in Scottish matters and sport, earlier actively associated in Rugby in W'pa; rep NZ good will missions to the U.K., Europe, USA and Canada, '49, '52, '56 exec men FU and later Fed F W'pa, and 14 years chm Meat & Wool Section and Dom Clr FedF; rep Agricultural Sect FedF Brit, Denmark, Holland, Ireland and USA '52; rep FedF in UK,

Ireland, Europe and Denmark '49, '52, '56 also Scottish Socys Pipe Bands of NZ o' seas; appt Chieftain World Champs Edinburgh '49; rep Pipe Bands and Scottish Socys of Victoria Aust; fdr NZ Academy of Natl Dancing; W'pa Social Services Socy (meals on wheels); Clan Cameron NZ; For Friends of St. John; V-Chm. W'pa Centre Order of St. John; com. mem. Historic Places Trust; past pres W'ps men com of W'pa JPs assn; past pres W'pa Founders Socy, (7 years) and Dom Councillor NZ Founders Socy; bd men Eketa huna Pest Destruction Cl; dir Producers Meats (NI) 19 yr; past pres NZ Highland Pipe Bands Assn and NZ Piping and Dancing Socy; rep NZ JP's Assn in UK, Canada and USA: Past pres and patron M'ton Harrier Club 45 years; Chieftain Clan Cameron Scot; V-pres the Scottish Pipe Bands Assn; Mem Royal Braemar Highland Socy; Victorian Pipe Band Assn (Aust.). v-pres Victorian Highland Pipe Bands Assn; Lond, Gaelic Club; Pipers Club London; Wgtn H.B. Centre Pipe Bands; rep NZ and appt Chieftain to Dalesford Highland Games (Aust) '68 assoc in assisting with agricultural developments in Pakistan. Farmer, m. F. Mary, 2s. 2d. Pte Ad: Mauriceville, Wairarapa.

***Diamond, Alfred Butler, b. 1916, Wgtn.** Principal Founder ancestor John Dimond, a flax flesher of Uplyme, Border of Cornwall and Devon, arrived "Lord Wm Bentick" 1841. Joined Founders 1948. Dep. Dom. Pres. 1965. Dom Pres 1966-69. Dom. Councillor from 1954. Chm Entertainment Cte 1954-55; Finance Cte 1955-56; Publicity Cte 1958. Awarded Founders Life Service Medallion. President Hutt Valley Competition Soc., Mem Friends of Turnbull Library. Chartered Accountant and Secretary m. Inez, 3s. 1d. *Deceased.

Gilberd, Edward Browse, b. 1904, Wanganui. Principal Founder ancestor; Wm Foale Gilberd, Carpenter from Kingsbridge, Devon, arrived "London" 1840, Wgtn, who operated a steamengine sawmill and built Auckland's Supreme Court House. Other NZ ancestors include the Builder of Auckland's St. Pauls Church. Paint and Paper Merchant, Goldmine owner, Thames and Soap factory operators in Auckland and at Castlecliff, Wanganui. Joined Founders 1969. Dom. Council, Historical Cte and currently compiling Early Settlers Roll for Wgtn District. Awards include K. St. John. President, Wgtn Centre, St. John Assn., Mem. Priory Chapter, Order of St. John. NZ Patron NZ Soc of Genealogists; Life Mem. Soc Genealogists (London); Devon & Cornwall Record Soc; Essex Archaeological Soc; British Record Soc (UK); Outward Bound and Early Settler & His-

torial Soc. Mem. NZ Historic Places Trust; Friends of Turnbull Library, Hutt Art Society; Friends of Dowse Art Gallery; Hannah Playhouse and NZ Opera. Founder (1927) of St John Ambulance Cadet Movement in N.Z.; Captain 2NZEF. Mem. United Service Officers Club; Royal Life-saving Soc (1918-32); YMCA (1917-32) and numerous sporting bodies in Wanganui area. Company Director. Pte Ad; Manuka Street, Stokes Valley.

Greenwood, Ronald David; b. 1911, Wgtn. Principal Founder ancestor; Wm Greenwood, carpenter from England, "Slains Castle" Wgtn 1841. Joined Founders 1950. Sub-Cte for the acquisition of Wakefield House (1950). Dom. President 1955-56, Dom. Councillor 1975-76; Founder and Hon. Fellow NZ Institute of Management, a "Paul Harris" Fellow of Rotary International. Past District Governor of Rotary, Pres Wellington Rotary Club. NZ Institute of Management. Council Mem. Asso. Chambers of Commerce Wgtn. Manufacturers Assn and Fellow, NZ Society of Accountants. Former Exec. Mem NZ Alpine Club (Wgtn) Br of hobbies include fly-fishing, sheepfarming; Munrologist Soc. Management Consultant. m. Edna Alice. 1s. Pte Ad: Roseneath Tce, Wgtn.

Hay-MacKenzie, Ewan. b. 1916 Wgtn. Principal Founder ancestor; Himalaya Cameron born on barque "Himalaya" which arrived 1844 at Nelson. Joined Founders 1953. Dom. Councillor from mid 1960's. Cte. mem., Treasurer and President, Younger Founders. 1953-57. Hon. Treasurer Northland Memorial Community Centre (Wgtn), Cte. Mem. Northland Progressive Assn; President Northland Indoor Bowls Club. Cte member Northland Historical Soc. Interests: indoor and lawn bowls, recording and photography. (Ed. Note: All Wakefield House photographs in this edition were taken by Ewan).

Heal, Doris (Mrs) nee Renton b. Balclutha. Principal Founder ancestor: Alexander Ayson, a farmer from Scotland, arrived 1856 at Dunedin on the "Southern Cross". Joined Founders 1965. Dom. Council 1970-75 serving on the Housing and Program Committees. m. 2d. Addr: Whitu Street, Khandallah, Wgtn.

Lawrence, Robert J. b. 1913, Wellington. Principal Founder ancestor: John Coutts Crawford, R.N., a retired naval Captain who arrived from Australia ahead of the main party of settlers on the "Superb" in Dec, 1839, at Wellington. Joined Society 1965, elected Dom. Council 1967 and, (apart from several years service as N.Z. Consul-General, New York,) has served

on a number of committees notably Finance, Program and House Management. During his career with the N.Z. Ministry of Foreign Affairs Mr Lawrence has held several posts abroad including Thailand and involvement in the South East Asia Aid Program. In 1968 he visited the South Pole. Since retiring Mr Lawrence has held administration positions in the Wellington motor industry. m. 1s. 1d. Addr. Lower Watt Street, Highland Park, Wadestown, Wellington.

Moses, Sidney Lewis. b. 1907, Auckland. Principal Founder ancestor: Charles Davis, a businessman from the U.K. who arrived at Auckland in 1844. On Dominion Council since 1973 serving on Finance and House Management; Society's representative on the new Wakefield House Board of Directors. Community activities include: Past President and Life member of both the N.Z. Chambers of Commerce and the N.Z. National Travel Assn; Life member, NZ Retailers Federation; Chairman, Decimal Currency Board; Director, Tourist Hotel Corporation; Trustee, Wellington Savings Bank; Charter member, Wgtn (Host) Lions Club, 2 NZEF (1942-44). NZ motor-cycle and road racing champion (1931-33-34), repr'd N.Z. 10M International TT Races in 1933. m. 1s. 1d. Addr: Newcombe Crescent, Karori, Wgtn. (Ed. Note: Elected the Society's 18th Dominion President, August 16, 1976).

Mulcahy, Maurice Warwick, D.D. b. 1910, Wgtn. Principal Founder ancestor: Maurice Mulcahy, a soldier, 65th Regt. from Ireland, arrived 1848. Joined Founders 1964. On Dom. Council from 1968. Chairman Historical Cte; delegate to NZ Fed of Historical Societies; Former teacher and administrator Dr Mulcahy is now devoted to full-time research on early R.C. Missionaries in N.Z. Member Wgtn Regional Cte, NZ Historical Places Trust; Catholic Priest, Hobson Street, Thorndon, Wgtn.

Olsen, Hilary Prudence Mary nee Hayhurst. b. Waitara. Principal Founder ancestor: Henry Richards, a Doctor from England who arrived at Lyttleton on the "Sir George Seymour" in 1850. (Another distinguished pioneer ancestor was John Hayhurst who arrived at Lyttleton 1850 and was first owner of Simons Pass Station, McKenzie Country - also owner of Gray Hills and Blue Cliffs Stations. He was first to sow English grasses in the McKenzie Country; established the first boiling-down works; a flour mill; the first to instal power for domestic use in Temuka and was Timaru member of the Canterbury Provincial Council.) Joined Founders 1962.

Dom. Council member from 1964 serving with distinction on the Society's Entertainment and Program Cte; Convenor, Wakefield House Cte and a member of the new Wakefield House Planning Cte. Other community activities include: Sprout House Cte; Meals on Wheels; Barnabas Church. m. 3d. Addr: Everest Street, Khandallah, Wgtn.

Pollock, Laurie, b. Wgtn. Principal Founder ancestor: John Inges and Elizabeth Daysh arrived "Gertrude", 1841 at Wellington. Joined Founders 1948. Dom. President 1964-66. Hon. Life Member of Society. Senior Executive Bethune's Ltd and their Agent during the years of negotiations for the development of Wakefield House II. Noted authority on N.Z. historical books and paintings. Now in retirement resides in a pioneer house, Greytown, Wairarapa. (Ed. Note: Laurie used to say how he liked Founders gatherings to see what had become of pioneer descendants. This article demonstrates that they come from many walks of 20th century life.)

Shand, Maitland Deihl, b. 1922. Principal Founder ancestor: Sarah Ann Chapman (b. 1820) a servant from London, U.K., arrived on the "Birman" 1842, at Port Nicholson, Wgtn. (Another Founder ancestor was Conrad Deihl who arrived on the brig "Rolla". He became Licencee of the "Eagle Tavern" now "Carlton Hotel".) Joined Founders 1964. Dominion Council since 1971. Occupation: Builder. m. 4ch.

Tankersley, Hector Arch. MBE. b. 1917 at Carterton. principal Founder ancestor: Thomas William Tankersley, a farmer from England who arrived on the N.Z. Company's advance-party ship "Tory" 1839 at Petone Beach, Port Nicholson, Wgtn. Joined Founders 1952 and has served on Dominion Council since late 1960's, principally on Program and Entertainment and Historical committees. Other community activities include Past President, Rotary Club and numerous cultural arts organisations. Minister of Religion. m. 2s. 3d. Addr: Helmore Street, Wanganui.

Warnes, John Coygniard b. 1906 Petone. Principal Founder ancestor: Rev. John Hobbs, Minister of Divinity, from St. Peters, Isle of Thanet, Kent, England. Arrived on the "Brampton" at the Bay of Islands, Northland in 1823 John Warnes writes: Other notable pioneer ancestors include Mrs Hobbs of Rainsgate, Isle of Thanet, Kent, arrived at Hokianga, on "Governor Macquarie" in 1827 after marry-

ing Rev. John Hobbs in Sydney, N.S.W. earlier that year. Rev. William Kirk of Epworth, England, arrived in Auckland on "Triton" in 1847 and later married Emma, eldest child of Rev. and Mrs Hobbs. Father: Ben Cunyard Warnes married Ira Margaretta Garlick, eldest daughter of Rev. Samuel Garlick and Jane Garlick, nee Jane Kirk, eldest daughter of Rev. William Kirk and Mrs Kirk. I am therefore a great-great-grandson of Rev. John Hobbs and Mrs Hobbs. Foundation member of the Society (1938). Served several years on national Executive Council especially in Finance during the period of negotiations for the redevelopment of the Wakefield House site. Sponsor of the Society's gold "For Service" badge. Former magazine publisher and insurance executive. Now lives in retirement on the Golden Coast. m. Nyola Hetty, 1d. War Service includes Capt. in 2nd NZEF & Adjutant, NZ Hospital Ship. Addr: Beach Rd., Waiterere, via Levin. (In an interesting addition to his family record John Wanres says: Rev. John Hobbs, after the destruction of the Wesleyan Mission settlement by the Maoris at Whangaroa in 1827 went to Sydney to meet his fiancée, Miss Jane Brogreff, married in Sydney and returned to New Zealand and re-established the Wesleyan Mission at Mangungu, Hokianga, in 1827. The mission houses were burned down ten years later on 19 August 1838.

Rev. Hobbs drew a plan for a new mission house "substantial and commodious". It was in this house that Lieutenant-Governor Hobson slept when he and his party visited Mangungu for the second major signing of The Treaty of Waitangi on February 12, 1840. Thousands of Maoris attended, Rev. Hobbs being Hobson's interpreter as had the Anglican missionary, Rev. Henry Williams acted at Waitangi less than a week previously. It is understood approximately forty chiefs' signatures or marks were made on the famous document at Mangungu - more than at Waitangi. Hobbs was a close and highly respected friend of the two great Ngapuhi tribe brothers, Patuone and Tamati Waka Nene. Hobbs spent several years as a missionary in Tonga; the famous mission house was moved to Auckland years later and in 1972 was removed back to Mangungu and now comes under the control of the NZ Historical Places Trust Board. Rev. Hobbs, accompanied his son-in-law and daughter (Rev. William Kirk and Mrs Kirk) to Ohinemutu (near Pipiriki) where a Wesleyan mission was established in 1849. Their ship was wrecked at the mouth of the Wanganui River and all on board landed safely after a terrifying night on board.)

Wills, Beth (Mrs) nee Wenzlick. b. Auckland. Principal Founder ancestors arrived from England on the "Adelaide.. 1840 at Wanganui. They were Major D.S. Durie, R.M. of Wanganui received awards from the Spanish Govt., was first Chairman Wanganui Harbour Bd; M.P. for Wanganui, first Wanganui Mayor; gave Wanganui its water supply. Mrs Wills joined the Founders Society in 1968 and has served on the Dominion Council and several committees for a number of years. Her other community interests include being Vice-President Association of Anglican Women and a member of the Commission on "Ministry and Mission". Mrs Wills adds the following footnote:

We feel that we may have quite a unique situation existing within our families. My great grandfather 1840 England on mothers side. My great grandfather 1842 from Poland on Fathers side. My husband's great grandfather his mothers side 1838 England. Husband's side 1848 England. Not many married can boast complete New Zealanders on all *four* sides!!! All landowners in their day starting townships from Puhoi to Wellington in the North. Not New Zealanders so much as "all sides New Zealand founders!"

(Ed. Note: We'd like to hear from members who can match or better Mrs Wills' family record).

BRANCH ACTIVITIES

At the annual meeting of the Auckland branch of the New Zealand Founders Society, the retiring president, Mr I.G. Davies, said that 1976 was silver jubilee year for the branch. The first function had been a "ship and family reunion" at which 79 different early settlers' ships were represented.

Three members, Miss Irma O'Connor, Mr E.J. Burke and Mr I.S. Cooper represented the branch at the opening of the new eight-storey "Wakefield House" building on the Terrace, Wellington, where the society headquarters will be re-established.

A picture of the first Auckland Government House (1841-1848) painted by a member, Miss Peggy Spicer, was presented at the opening.

Officers elected are: President, Mr John P. Webster; immediate past-president, Mr R.L. Wynyard; vice-president, Mr E.J. Burke; treasurer, Mrs H.O.R. Carr; Secretary, Mrs Joan Tattersfield; research officer, Mrs Wynne Rowe; Maori adviser, Mr E.K.W. Stirling.

Committee: Mr V.W. McLeod, Mr P.G. Williams, Mr W.A. Rowe, Mr S. Speight, Dr E.H. Roche, Mrs M. Greenslade, Mrs A. McLaren, Mrs F. Gough, Mrs C.C. Thorburn; coffee morning committee, Mrs V. Smytheman, Mrs T. Rowley, Mrs D. Kerr, Mrs A. Hailey.

CANTERBURY

On a Sunday afternoon in October, the Branch members were taken on an Historical Walk by Miss Margaret Prebble, then of the Canterbury Museum. This consisted of a leisurely stroll of about a mile around Christchurch streets, when we discovered ten points of interest, some unknown to quite a number of members. One case in point was the plaque outside Hallenstein's shop in High Street, which marked the spot

where Fitzgerald and others commenced the formation of Christchurch streets in 1851. This work entailed the removal of tussocks and the filling in of ruts.

On November 24, the Branch held an Evening in the Clarendon Hotel, in commemoration of the arrival of the first four ships on or near December 16, 1850, 125 years ago.

The President read out the names of the 25 ships chartered by the Canterbury Association, giving the tonnage, number of passengers, and the date of arrival. Members were invited to "claim" their own ship and tell the assembly of any interesting or amusing incident which occurred on the journey out to New Zealand.

After one or two had "broken the ice", the evening turned out to be one of the most successful that the Branch had held for some time.

The Branch's New Zealand Dinner is planned for Sunday, February 1st, when we are to meet for a mid-day dinner at Russley Hotel.

Interest in the Founders Society is being maintained by the older members, but we are still having difficulty in attracting the younger ones. However, the situation is not peculiar to our Society but seems to be the problem in many other groups.

The Canterbury Branch extend best wishes to the Wellington Executive and members, as well as to the members of our other branches, for Christmas and the coming year.

WAIRARAPA

The Wairarapa Branch celebrated New Zealand Day by visiting some not too distant historical spots in the district. Seventeen car loads left Masterton to meet again at the Matthews' private chapel at Wairongomai, Western Lake. There the Rev. Rodney Murphy gave a splendid address on the history of the church in New Zealand in the days of the Williams, ending with a prayer of thankfulness in the past and of hope for the continuing harmony and happiness of all New Zealanders.

Moving on to a headland from which we had a wide view over the sea to the South Island we were lucky enough to meet Mr Eglinton whose station has been in the family since the very early days when animals and wool had to go by boat round the coast. After a picnic lunch in what had been Western Lake School, near a Community Hall, the cavalcade went on its way across the new sluice gates of the Onope Lake project which has turned many acres of swamp into good farm land; past a little old church with the name Sutherland on the headstones surrounding it; and on down to the ferry. The hardy ones walked over the stones to the 'Outlet' which had caused so much trouble silting up and flooding the lands. Fortified by tea at the Hotel we wended our way home via Martinborough passing the Wharekapa plaque which commemorates the first sheep in the Wairarapa driven round the coast by Weld & Clifford; and here too, at what is now Pahautea, Mr Bidwell stocked his farm with Merinos.

In all it was a fitting and enjoyable way to spend New Zealand Day.

AUCKLAND

The Annual General meeting in March was combined with a visit to the historic home "Alberton". Two bus tours were held, one to the Rapaura Ranch and Water Gardens at Thames, and a local tour of places of interest around Auckland. Both were well attended.

Luncheons held from June to October inclusive were also well attended averaging 70 members at each. Speakers were Dr John Pringle - S. Africa; Mr Ross Petersen - 'Preservation of the Beech Forests, (Conservation Week); Mrs Paddy Walker, a New Zealand delegate to the International Womens' Year Conference in Mexico; Mr John Stacpoole, Historic Places Trust, on a recent visit to Ireland. In July, a Centennial Medal for the Auckland Harbour Board's centennial was presented to one of our members, Mrs S. Brennan, by Mr R.W. Carr, Chairman of the Auckland Harbour Board. Mrs Brennan's grandfather

was Captain Bregmen of the survey ship "Pandora". At this meeting too, the Auckland Branch presented the Committee of the Fencible Cottage at Onehunga with a Folio of the passenger lists of the Fencible ships arriving at Auckland between 1844 and 1852.

A special meeting held at Wellsford by Northland and Auckland was most successful, there being, in spite of the wild weather, about 50 local people present, as well as 10 Auckland and a busload of Northland members. Auckland Secretary read a special message from Dominion President, Mr Cameron, and then spoke about "Founders". Mrs Carter also spoke for Northland. We had good publicity in the local newspaper, too. Mrs E. Zimmerman is to be thanked for organising this meeting.

Earlier in November the Auckland Branch made a ceremonial visit to the Orakei Marae where a building project is in hand to provide a multi-racial Marae, open to all racial groups. As a gesture of goodwill towards the Ngati-Whatua people of the Auckland isthmus a cheque for \$100 was presented for the building fund.

LETTERS

On behalf of Clan Cameron New Zealand and the New Zealand Founders Society I sent the following message to Her Majesty the Queen at the New Year—

*The Official Secretary,
Buckingham Palace,
London.*

On behalf of Clan Cameron of New Zealand and the New Zealand Founders Society may I ask that a message of loyalty and service from both Associations be conveyed to Her Majesty. Both Societies continue to take part in useful services in this country and have support from the young people.

*Ian Cameron O.B.E.
President.*

*Buckingham Palace,
12 January 1976
Dear Mr Cameron,*

I am commanded by The Queen to thank you and the members of the Clan Cameron in New Zealand and the New Zealand Founders Society for your kind message of loyal greetings which Her Majesty much appreciated.

*Yours sincerely,
Martin Thontein*

*Ian Cameron O.B.E.
President.*

The woman who helped him in the Gallery for many years died not very long after Mr Leech did.

Dear Mr Buick-Constable,

I am so very sorry not to have written earlier to thank you personally for all your kindness to me. It was indeed a very great pleasure to receive again the notices etc. to do with the N.Z. Founders Society after so many years.

It was also such a happy surprise to get the Founders Bulletin with the photograph of my husband.

I have suffered very much from heart trouble lately which is the reason I have not written and thanked you again for your personal interest on my behalf.

Today is my 83rd birthday! I am still very mentally alert, but at times my hand is shaky, as now in writing to you.

With my warmest regards,

Believe me,
Very Sincerely Yours,
Jean Hope-Johnston,
Dorset,
England.

(Members will be sad to learn that Mrs Jean Hope-Johnston, widow of the man who founded the Society, passed away mid-1974).

Dear Mr Buick-Constable,

It is many months since "New Founder Members" appeared in the "Bulletin".

Has the N.Z. Founders Society (Inc.) decided to drop this very important page for new members? I hope not.

Yours sincerely,
Frank Bell,
Haitaitai,
Wellington.

(Editor: See the back-log provided in this issue).

Dear Mr Buick-Constable,

I'm afraid I have been very remiss in not answering your note regarding history of John Leech Gallery.

As the firm was established in Wellesley Street West in 1855 it can be assumed that Mr Leech did not ask for a listing in the N.Z. Cyclopedia.

Several moves were made in the early days. John Barr, at one time head librarian at the City Library, endeavoured to trace the moves. One move he could not trace.

High Street was another location. Shortland Street was his home for some 80 years. We celebrated our centennial there.

Unfortunately I have had little success in tracing the family and those I have interviewed were not very helpful. The last of the Leech's in the business unfortunately had no children.

I did not know Leech. Originally I joined the business to manage it for a group who had purchased it from the estate. That was in September 1965.

Any documents of historical interest I did keep. These have been handed over to the new owners of the firm.

I feel that I should be in the position to write something on the gallery but it would be difficult in view of my scanty knowledge of its early history.

I shall give your suggestion regarding an article for the N.Z. Founders Bulletin some thought.

Perhaps you could clear up a point for me. Why did all the holders of warrants in the early days use the Royal Crest? As far as Auckland is concerned, this was the case.

We ran foul of the Internal Affairs Department some years back on account of our using the Royal Crest and By Appointment. I had just carried this on from old John Leech.

It seemed strange that through a succession of Governors General firms used the Royal Crest without any complaints.

I have endeavoured to retain as much as possible any links the firm has with early Auckland and the association it has had with successive Governors. At the moment I think there are only two of the original warrant holders still in business in the city.

It has never ceased to amaze me that a business such as John Leech could survive in the climate of the 1850's.

Thank you again for the photostatic copies on the Swintons. One day I hope to do something about tracing our family and your information will be most helpful.

With kindest regards,
Yours sincerely,
Allan Swinton,
Remuera,
Auckland.
28 November, 1975

Dear Lindsay,

Please excuse the delay in answering your letter but I have had difficulty in locating a recent photograph of myself. I have now discovered one I had taken two years ago for the 75 Jubilee of the College Rifles Rugby Club which should be suitable for what you require. I am enclosing it with this letter. I do hope it is not too late and the delay has not inconvenienced you too much.

We have started our Founders season again and instead of evening meetings which

have not been well patronised during the last few years we have arranged bus trips. March to historic spots in the lower Northland, and in April to the Thames district which were enjoyed by full buses of members. From now we will be having our luncheons. I am afraid I have been too busy during that period to attend as I have been mixed up in a new building which was opened for our new sports and recreation complex at College Rifles at Easter. We have squash, netball, athletics and also rugby affiliated to the Club and also supply a district meeting place for the locals who are associated members. All told we have 2000 young persons enjoying recreation and social activities. It is an interest which keeps me busy in my retirement.

The Patriotic Societies turned on a pleasant function at the Victoria League Club Rooms on the 14th instant to meet Mr and Mrs Clive Glover. I was filling in for our secretary, who was away, taking the tickets at the door and thus had the privilege of being the first to greet him at the door. We also enjoyed the evening for the film premiere.

I am afraid I cannot think of anything exciting to add to what you have already got about me.

Trusting you and your wife are well.

Regards,
Lew Wynyard,
Ellerslie,
Auckland, 5.
23rd April, 1975

Dear Lindsay,

As neither the Wynyards nor any other Auckland Founders except myself were able to attend the Waitangi ceremony this year as far as I know, I suppose it is up to me to send you some account of it.

Members of the Trust Board had to go up on Feb. 4, as some of the trees in the Endowment Forest area were ready to be milled and an inspection was called for. We also visited the splendid new Golf Club House, which with its superb views and well-kept surrounding greens is now a great attraction. The next day was devoted to the usual Trust Board meeting and at 4 p.m. the fine new canoe house, built conveniently close to Hobson Beach for easy launching and made possibly largely by the generosity of Mr Lou Fisher, of Auckland, was officially opened by the Governor-General, Sir Denis Blundell. It was attended by a large crowd of spectators, both Maori and pakeha.

On Feb. 6 we woke to grey skies, a high wind, a heavy swell on the bay and a bad weather report. The Navy, worried about its ships, was uncertain whether to move

them further out and hold the evening ceremony in the whare runanga or to risk having it outside as usual. But cars were streaming over the bridge and people pouring on to the marae regardless of weather reports, so in the end it was decided to risk an outdoor ceremony. In the event, although there was one sharp but brief shower, the rain mostly held off. Mr Muldoon got an enthusiastic reception when he arrived and the ceremony was not marred by any protesters or interruptions, the police not being needed.

When the sunset hymn was played and the flag lowered, the lights went out on the marae and the ships in the bay, including The Spirit of Adventure, were simultaneously illuminated as usual. The naval band played the Retreat and a spirited Maori concert concluded the outdoor function. The evening wound up as usual with a reception at the Waitangi Hotel.

On the following day the Secretary of the Waitangi Trust Board, Mr T.A. Bryant, gave me a lift as far as Whangarei, where the newly accredited Northland Branch of the Founders Society had asked me to give a luncheon address on Waitangi and the work of the Trust Board. It was refreshing to have such an appreciative audience, for the early history of Waitangi, with its struggles and difficulties, is very interesting and many people said they had no idea how much had been involved, Waitangi is, after all, a national heritage and it is a pity that people in other parts of New Zealand know so little about it. To the majority it seems to be little more than a name.

Irma O'Connor
Kohimarama,
Auckland.

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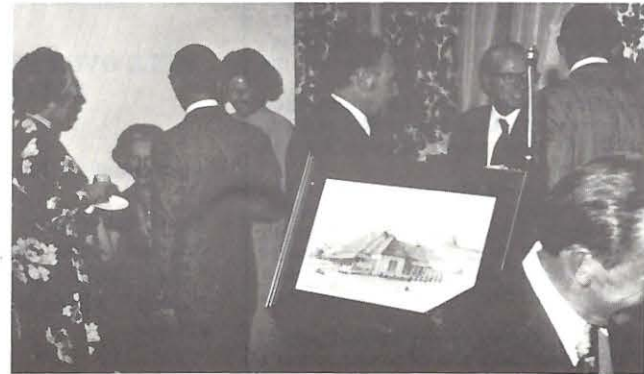
Treasurer and the Private Secretary in the latter's office; the bed-making of the housemaid on the one side, and the performance of "James Plush" on that harsh instrument, the knifeboard, in the pantry; the jingling of silver and china by the butler in the dining room, and the animated discourse between half-a-dozen native chiefs and the Government interpretation on the verandah; are all within the scope of one pair of ears. The Home Gardens or "Compound" of Government House was filled with the encampments of native chiefs and their families on a visit to His Excellency, and with other aboriginal loiterers. One could not go out of doors without stumbling over them."

Government House was destroyed by fire in June. 1848.



Among familiar faces at the official opening of the Society's new Headquarters atop Wakefield House II -

Top Left: Dominion President Ian Cameron. Centre and top Right: Some of the opening night guests. Centre Right: Taranaki Branch President "Gus" Nicholls talks with Mrs M.E. Hall (Wellington). Lower Left: Principal speaker and Life Member of the Society, Sir Keith and Lady Holyoake share a happy moment with Mr and Mrs George Nichols (Wellington). Lower Centre: Wanganui Branch President W. Hugh Ross discusses old times with Miss Irma O'Connor (Auckland), granddaughter of Jerningham Wakefield. Lower Right: Auckland Branch's gift to the Society - a painting by member Peggy Spicer (referred to elsewhere) presented at the function by Life Member Mr. E.J. Burke.



Dear Lindsay,

It seems a long time since I last wrote to you, and there are some things from last year that I would like to tell you about.

The Auckland Branch were very happy to welcome our National President, Mr Ian Cameron O.B.E. and Mrs Cameron to our Christmas party, 1974, as we had a very good attendance and this gave more members a chance to meet them personally. As you know Auckland President, Mr R.L. Wynyard, had retired from this office, and the well-deserved presentation of a 'For Service Badge' was made to him on behalf of the Society, and Stella received flowers as a gesture of appreciation from the Auckland Branch for her support during his term of office.

During 1975 we have had quite a number of successful functions, luncheons; bus trips; etc., and I must mention the meeting held at Wellsford, with Northland Branch and local people who are descendants of the early 'Albertlanders'. We have had a very cordial friendship with the Northland Branch, as we had with the Waikato Branch the year before, and I cannot stress too much the benefit the whole Society derives from these friendly contacts, and discussions.

I hope that sometime in the future it may be possible to hold a North Island convention, or a Northern region one.

I would like on behalf of our Auckland President, Mr Ian Davies, and our Committee and members, to offer our congratulations to the Dominion Council executive members who have carried out the intricate business arrangements involved in the establishment of the new 'Wakefield House', and wish you all every success for the opening ceremony.

Auckland Branch will be celebrating their first 25 years as a Branch later this year and we hope to plan some function for this later.

Lastly, my congratulations on the last 'Bulletin' which was most interesting and had varied topics. I would be delighted if it was thicker as it whets one's appetite for a bit more of our early history, as well as keeping up with present-day happenings of Branches.

With kind regards to Dominion Council, Wellington members, and of course yourself and family,

Sincerely,
Joan Tattersfield,
Auckland Secretary.

Dear Mr Buick-Constable,

Sorry to be so long sending this first installment but somehow time flies as one gets older, and flu arrives, and having to send script away to be passed by those concerned, held things up. Actually they were 'tickled pink' and wouldn't have minded real names being mentioned, but I thought it best to disguise them a little—the pakeha ones, that is — in case some distant connection objected. As a matter of fact 'Hancock's Half Hour' lost some of its punch as that was the galloping major's name!

The Judge referred to as my grandfather was Judge Robert Ward who came out with his father, Rev. Robert Ward, on the 'Raymond' to New Plymouth in 1844. The Rev. was the first Primitive Methodist missionary south of the Equator and his grave was near the Wakefield at Bolton. I'm hoping his monument headstone is preserved.

The next installment will be about him and I hope not to be too long settling down to it!

Regards,
Yours Sincerely,
E.P. Eccles,
Masterton.

(See next page)

**HELD OVER FOR THE NEXT
BULLETIN**

- a backlog of Branch activity news
- Book reviews — including one on member Celia Manson's fine book "The Story of a New Zealand Family" which is now in its second edition.
- as many pages containing Part 2 of the listings of new members.

On Being A Branch Secretary

—E.P. Eccles

Well, the year is more than half over and annual meetings in the past so perhaps with more coming up this would be a good time to tell all Founders what fun it can be being a Secretary! Oh yes! trials and tribulations there may be — usually are — but these are amply compensated for by knowing so many lovely and interesting people, and if functions are successful the entertainment committee has its reward in the happy and appreciative faces of those attending, and the expectant look as they leave — ‘What’s next?’ they say!

It’s fun too enrolling new members, getting their histories — am I developing into a Nosey Parker? — but it is so interesting! For instance: in looking up the history of the 58th Regiment I found that, of the 4-5 ships arriving from Australia in 1845, Slains Castle came 22nd April with 215 men of that regiment under Major Cyprian Bridge. I promptly shed the years and became 18 again, for that was a name (without the ‘Major’) that had sometimes appeared on my dance programme for a waltz or mazurka or perhaps — very daring! a tango! He could only have been a descendant.

Those pre war partners, ah me! I won a magnificent antique opal bracelet in a Red Cross raffle but was told opals were unlucky. I laughed! I was not superstitious! Then came Gallipoli — I swapped my antique opals for a bauble.

However back to our mutttons: The aspiring member who required the 58th Regiment’s arrival date was a bit stumped so wrote to her brother for information. Her enquiry elicited this gem in reply: “Dear —, I was tickled to learn you had been approached to join the Founders Society, certainly I’ll help you out. I should think you will just wrangle in under the ‘Fulton’ banner.

Just to digress — about “descendants of pioneers who arrived in any of the 6 original provinces not later than the first 10 years after the Official Foundation date of settlement or earlier” etc. — No doubt you would look askance at claiming on your dark cloud side! Our forbears missed out on the first six canoes which arrived in Aotea-roa but came in the second wave, about 6 centuries ago, in 3 canoes — ‘Nga Toa’, ‘Atiawa’ and ‘Tainui’, setting out from the island of Ra in the Society Islands. A bloke named Hoturoa was skipper of our boat — Tainui — and landfall was eventually made and the Waitemata Harbour entered.

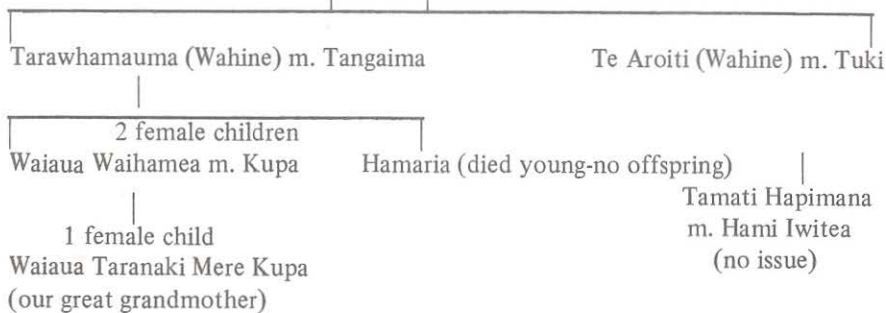
Hoturoa was an energetic type and while ‘Nga Toa’ and ‘Atiawa’ went elsewhere,

‘Tainui’ passengers got into action and dragged their canoe over the isthmus to Onehunga. They paddled down the coast and finally set up housekeeping at Hawhia. As the tribe multiplied it gradually spread over Taranaki. The moral of all this is:— If you’re ever up the creek without a paddle, remember your ancestors! You could claim: Taranaki — 1174 — ‘Tainui’!

Now to get down to the real McCoy. I don’t think the all ‘white’ side would apply for the galloping major didn’t arrive till about 1864 — just to show the inhabitants a bit of white supremacy. However, all was quiet on the western front by then and the galloping Major had no cannons to play with. So the family followed a year or so later. With nothing better to do he passed the time ‘begatting’ children and with 14 in the brood, the wife, getting a bit tired of Hancock’s Half Hour cleared out. No, on second thoughts he is no help — too late.

Now, I think you can make your alley good with out great grandad ‘fulton’! He was born in England, fruit of a couple of the same name (well! naturally!) and came out with the 58th Regiment which I think must qualify though I haven’t the date. I have reason to believe that after taking part in the Wanganui-Taranaki wars etc., he picked up this good looking bit of Maori crumpet and set himself up as a “licensed victualler” and contractor. Nanna was their eldest daughter and she was only 14 when her mother, known as Cheiftness Arini of Orinupiko died. Nanna looked after the large family till she married our grandfather and so through their eldest son, “by generation” we get down to us.

That should do it! However maybe you would like the pedigree of the “dusky crumpet” for your own edification. It came out when Nanna passed on. As a bit of dough was involved the question of succession came up. Some upstart put in the nips so all her children, grown up by then, stood up to be counted in the Maori Land Court at Wanganui and carried the day with this ‘Tree’! —



The originals probably saw Cpt. Cook sailing by in the 1700's.

Land holdings were at various places but the area owned near O.E.O. was called Arinupiko, hence the reference by Limpus to the Maori princess Arinupiko."

Well, that is the end of the letter. Everyone lived happily ever after and we have a new member; but to me it is not the end; for that Judge of the Native Lands Court in Wanganui was my grandfather!! And thereby hangs another tale.

SOME EARLY HISTORY OF UPPER POHANGINA

—P. Arlidge

A man named Anderson was the first settler up the Pohangina river. He took up 1,000 acres about a mile past Komako, on the south side of Diggers Creek, and was shooting wild cattle for their hides. Later on he sold his property to Mr. Hugh Fraser.

Harry and Claude Palmer were the second settlers, following Anderson. Then came Charles Patterson and family. His first home was situated in the Totara Reserve, about two chains from the first caretakers house (which was previously owned and used as a fishing camp by Dr. Peach). Later, Mr. Patterson drew a section several miles up the Coal Creek and some years later he sold it to Beethams, his neighbours, the present owners.

In the year 1888 my father, Mr. F. Richards, bought 2,200 acres of standing bush from a man named Axup, at the junction between Coal Creek and the Pohangina river. The creek was the natural boundary on one side of the property, and the river bounded the frontage. It was the biggest section up there, until Mr. Richards sold part of it to Mr. F. Roberts, who still owns

and resides on his farm. Some years later Mr. J. H. Stevens took over another part of the farm. Mr. Richards named his farm "Mt. Richards" and the road running through the property later on was called Mt. Richards Road.

Other settlers began to arrive. Among them were Tommy Nelson, Hugh Fraser, Fred Roberts, Hurst Brothers, F. Arbon, Sen., Philpots and Goringe, C. Eglinton, Shelawlar, Freeman Jackson, J. Lyon, Hans Smith, C. Nelson, M. Spelman, Littlejohn and Clark, and McKenzie. The Post Office was managed by the storekeeper's two young sons and it was by Mr. J. H. Stevens' influence that they got a Post Office. He happened to arrive there unexpectedly one day to see how they were progressing and found the door locked and no-one in charge. The boys had gone wild pig hunting. Mr. Stevens threatened to report them for neglecting their duty but they only laughed and told him they could take the post office and the £3 per annum with it. Nothing further transpired.

In Maori the name "Komako" means Bell birds. There were large numbers found on that spot in the early days.

Some years later the Post Office at the junction of Coal Creek and the Pohangina river was opened. It was named "Ngapatahi", meaning the meeting of the waters.

Game was plentiful. Good bags of pigeon, pheasant, quail, wild duck, also wild pig and wild cattle were shot. In fact, all native birds were plentiful. It was lovely to listen to the true sweet notes of the tui and to hear millions of small birds singing in the early mornings.

Adsetts mill at Pohangina was the first in the district. Then there was Hughies mill at Awahou Bartholomews at Komako, and later there was one in the Totara Reserve, where millions of feet of timber was cut off the top flat.

The first school in the district was situated between Raumai and Hollig's Hill. This school was moved to Pohangina township later on. In 1892 a school of one room was built on Mr. T. Hurst's property, opposite Komako. It had no fireplace and no way of heating it, and was attended by only 10 children. Miss Burns was the only teacher in charge. This school was washed away by a huge flood. At the same time much valuable property went down the river, including buildings, fences and stock.

When Mr. Hugh Fraser was carting his first load of furniture to his farm between Komako and Digger's Creek darkness overtook him, so he left the dray load on what he considered a safe high bank. That night the river rose so high dray, furniture and all his belongings were washed away. For months afterwards odd pieces of furniture were found along the river bed. The tale goes that a full bottle of whisky was found firmly bedded in silt.

Several chains above the Coal Creek bridge on Mt. Richards, an underground lignite fire burned and smelled, day and night for many years. At times it shot forth bright spurts of flame.

All householders were very hospitable. They made every passerby welcome, giving them a meal or a "shake-down" for the night.

All the cooking was done over an open fire in camp ovens. The chimneys were made of galvanised iron. It was some time before brick chimneys were built and ranges were installed. Of course there was neither electricity nor a telephone in the district.

A strange inconsistency of the spelling of the place names Pohangina and Raumai is in the Postal guide. The correct Maori way is Poangina and Raumahi.

Brothers. On the Coal Creek were Harrison and Colinson, Stanton, A. Richards, C. Patterson, M. Denton, J. Neilson, Linder and Hitchman and others.

As the farms were taken up, the work of clearing the bush, burning, fencing, and sowing grass seed began in earnest. Tents were pitched and whares and settlers' houses built.

There were neither roads nor bridges in those days. We rode everywhere on horseback, following the river bed and going through rough bush tracks. To reach "Mt. Richards" we had to cross the river sixteen times. A most interesting ride in fine weather, but not so good when the river was in flood. Sometimes it was necessary to swim our horses across the fords. There was a long track cut through the Totara Reserve, running parallel with the river—for about two miles—wide enough for a horse and dray or a strong spring trap. It was wise on these trips to carry a pick and shovel after a flood, on account of the fords altering and forming a steep bank at the river's edge.

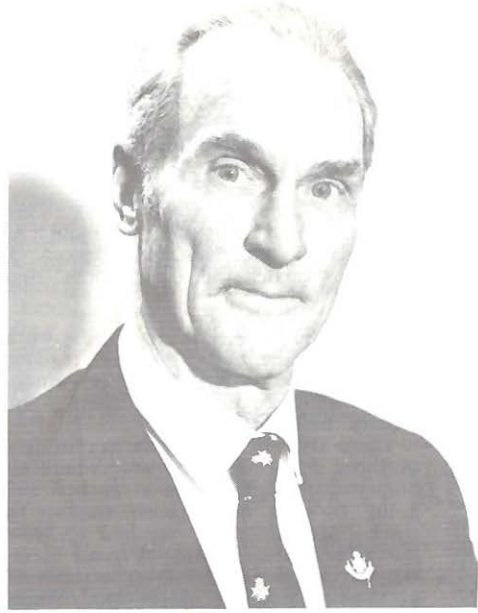
Settlers wisely prepared for emergencies in case of floods, by laying in large stocks of provisions, especially groceries, tobacco, patent medicines, etc. They all built "partuckers" or storerooms. It was quite usual for a farmer to store half a ton of flour, a chest of tea, several bags of sugar, a box of candles, and 56 lb. of rice, fencing wire and kegs of staples etc. This was to supply the bush contractors as well as the owner's household with provisions.

It was anyone's duty who passed by the nearest post office, to collect the mail and deliver it to the settlers, until a regular mailman was appointed to come once a week. It was a very exciting event reading our letters and the weekly supply of newspapers.

When the Post Office at Rimmer and Cravens store, Komako, was opened in 1895, they were allowed the small sum of £3 per year for taking charge of it.

(Early Memories of Rosabel Arlidge, from the year 1888 to 1901.)

The Society Senior Office



Mr Lewin Wynyard

shape the development of our country from an isolated and comparatively sparsely settled country, to an internationally known modern society, mainly English and Maori, with other Europeans and a rapidly increasing number of Pacific Islanders living in comparative harmony."

Mr Wynyard was born in Onehunga, a Fencible settlement, (one of four established around early Auckland), and a busy coastal port, and he spent his early life there. After leaving Auckland Grammar School he joined the College Rifles 4th Battery territorial unit for compulsory military training and also played for the unit's Rugby Club.

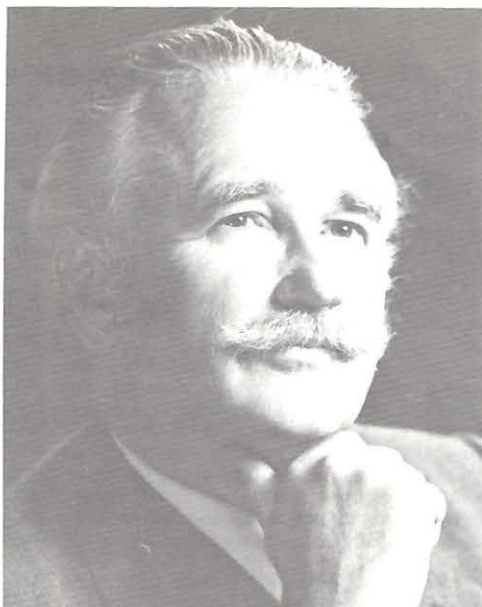
Returning to Auckland in 1936 after ten years working in Taranaki, he renewed his interest in athletics and rugby, as an official, and he is at present Patron of the College Rifles Rugby Football Club, which caters for not only rugby, but squash, netball, cricket, and athletics, giving service and pleasure to young people of all areas. He was a member of the Rugby Union Council and for five years served as Vice-President.

He was councillor of the Automobile Association, Auckland, for twelve years, and honorary Secretary of the One Tree Hill Domain Board for twenty-two years, until the administration was taken over by the One Tree Hill Borough Council.

He joined the New Zealand Founders Society when the Auckland Branch was formed and served on the committee from that time until twelve years ago when he became President of the Auckland Branch and our representative on the Dominion Council. During his term of office sub-Branches in the Waikato and Northland were formed. Waikato has now become a full branch and Northland is making steady progress toward this status too.

Mr Wynyard has also represented the Auckland Branch on the committee of the Auckland Patriotic Societies, and on the formation of the Pioneer Village Committee, (of the Museum of Transport and Technology), became their Treasurer, and still acts in this capacity.

Honours Two Bearers



Mr Lindsay Buick-Constable

In 1974 the Dominion Council approved a motion:

“THAT HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY BE CONFERRED ON MR L.M. BUICK-CONSTABLE IN RECOGNITION OF HIS SERVICE TO THE NEW ZEALAND FOUNDERS SOCIETY AND TO NEW ZEALAND.”

The citation reads: “Mr Lindsay Buick-Constable was Dominion President of the New Zealand Founders Society from 1969 to 1973 and Dominion Deputy President from 1966 to 1969. He was President of the Manawatu Branch in the middle-1950’s and, after returning from Fiji, in 1964, has been a member of the Executive Committee and Dominion Council ever since, and during this period has given many hours of time and interest to the New Zealand Founders Society, both in the Wellington area and nationally. He has been Editor of the Founders Bulletin since 1965, and still holds this position.

As Dominion President, Mr Buick-Constable was Convener of the Administration Committee of the Society during the difficult period of negotiations concerning the Wakefield House property – also during his term he worked to establish friendly liaison with, and made visits to, all Branches of the Society.

(Further biographical details appear elsewhere in this issue).

In the same year the Dominion Council made the same award to Mr Robert Lewin Wynyard, Immediate Past-President of the Auckland Branch.

Mr Wynyard says in explanation of his long-serving interest in the New Zealand Founders Society—“My parents were interested in early New Zealand history, and I expect some of the family history too, left an impression and a feeling of pride as a descendant of early European settlers who had helped to

1. OLD THORNDON

Following the arrival of Colonel William Wakefield in the "Tory" in August 1839, the "Cuba" in January, 1840 brought Captain William Mein Smith, Surveyor-General to the New Zealand Company, who thought the chosen site of Thorndon inadequate for a city and, instead, laid it out at Petone. There, however, the anchorage was too exposed and the Hutt River flooded, so by the spring of 1840 land was allotted on Lambton Harbour. Originally known as Britannia, the settlement was renamed Wellington. Lambton Quay marks the old beach line, and all the city to seaward of this is on reclaimed land. Wakefield Street lies approximately where the Te Aroha foreshore once was.

Colonel Wakefield's house stood in what are now the Parliament Grounds to the right of the main steps. It was purchased by the Government in 1848, the year Wakefield died, and became the official residence of Lieutenant Governor Eyre. With the transfer of the capital from Auckland to Wellington in 1865, the house became Wellington's first Government House. In 1871 it was replaced by the lefthand (wooden) wing of Parliament, known as "Bellamy's" (the building which has now been demolished to make way for Sir Basil Spence's "Beehive" extension). This building was designed by W. H. Clayton, whose house in Hobson Street is now part of Queen Margaret's College. He also designed the wooden Government Buildings.

The first Wellington Provincial Council Buildings as such—the Council originally met in Barrett's Hotel—built in 1856, stood on the site of the present Gothic-style General Assembly Library. This was built in 1898, adjoining the three-storey wooden Gothic Parliament House, built in 1873, and destroyed by fire in 1907. The present Parliament House was commenced in 1912, the first half being completed in 1920 and the original design for the second half will be replaced by the Beehive.

The first Anglican Church built in 1844 was on the site of the former Colonial Museum, founded in 1865 (hence Museum Street) closed in 1936. The site is now occupied by Broadcasting House. When Old St. Paul's in

Mulgrave Street was opened in 1866, the original church was removed and some of the material used to build the mortuary Chapel in Bolton Street cemetery which has been removed to make way for the motorway, but will be re-erected.

Above the new Cathedral is what was once called Golder's Hill, now named Eccleston Hill after R. J. Seddon's birthplace in Yorkshire. Seddon's house at the further end of Eccleston Hill is now the Diocese Office of the Anglican Church. Hill Street was named in honour of General Sir Rowland Hill, second in command to Wellington at Waterloo.

At the foot of Parliament grounds stood the grog-shop owned by Dicky Barrett, whom Colonel Wakefield employed as a Maori interpreter. This hut, thatched with raupo reeds, is said to have been the first European building in Wellington; it became the first public library in New Zealand and was also used for church services. Opposite, on the other corner of Molesworth Street and Lambton Quay, was Burrett's Corner, named after a printer who had a shop there. Next to Burrett's was the famous Barrett's Hotel, opposite the old government printing office, now replaced by Rutherford House being built for the Electricity Department. The hotel was a pre-fabricated two-storey wooden building, originally intended as a school house, and brought from England by Dr. Evans, from whom Barrett purchased it. It was used for public meetings as early as 19th August, 1840, but was not opened as a hotel till 24th October. Barrett soon sold the hotel to Richard Suisted, who added a two-storey wing. There was a billiard room on the ground floor and a Freemason's Hall above.

In 1851 the upper floor was fitted up as a Council Chamber and so used by Sir George Grey, and the ground floor was used as the offices of the general government until 1853. For the next two years, these rooms were the meeting place of the first Wellington Provincial Government. The original pre-fabricated building was used at this time as the Supreme Court, Bank of Issue and Registrar's Office. It was later used by the Government printer for many years till burned down on 8th October, 1890. The added wing had been demolished by the 1855 earthquake.

Many of the engravings in "Pictorial Illustrations of New Zealand" by Brees, published in London in 1847, show views in Thorndon in the years 1843-44. The

Founders' Society Library has a copy of the facsimile of this book published recently, and it may be consulted by arrangement with the Secretary. The name Thorndon was given to Thorndon Flat from Thorndon Hall, the Essex home of Lord Petrie, one of the leading directors of the New Zealand Company who came to New Zealand in the "Oriental" in 1840. He was one of the first residents on Golder's Hill (now Eccleston Hill). Golder's Hill was named by Dr. G. S. Evans after his English home at Hampstead; Dr. Evans arrived in March, 1840, as the first Judge of the settlement. Evans Bay is named after him; his house stood where the Roman Catholic Church property is, which they purchased from Dr. Morice.

Sir William Fox's house was in Lower Hill Street, immediately in front of the General Assembly Library; he succeeded William Wakefield as the Company's Principal Agent in Wellington when Wakefield died in 1848.

2. TINAKORI ROAD

Tinakori Road was the road to Karori, reached via Hawkestone Street. As the home of the elite, Tinakori Road preceded The Terrace and Hobson Street. Here the merchant princes of Wellington lived, their spacious gardens running through to Grant Road. Residents in the past included Dr. Isaac Earl Featherston, Major Charles Heaphy, V.C., Captain William Mein Smith, Sir William Fox. The School Dental Clinic Annexe was once a Prime Minister's residence, modernised extensively by Gordon Coates in 1926, but given up as too ostentatious by Michael Joseph Savage in 1935. Early schools in Tinakori Road were St. Paul's (near junction with Hill Street), Marist Brothers preparatory school for boys, and Mrs. Buxton's school on the corner of Poplar Grove. Katherine Mansfield was born at No. 11 (now 25) Tinakori Road.

3. BOWEN STREET

Bowen Street was formerly Kumutoto Street but was renamed after a Governor, Sir George Bowen. On the Reserve Bank site stood the handsome Trinity Congregational Church for many years.

Behind the Bowen Street Hospital, the old wooden house on The Terrace, called "Elibank", once the nurses' home, was purchased by the Turnbull family in the 1860's but for some twenty years was let by them to the Government as the Prime Minister's residence. Alexander

Horsburgh Turnbull sold "Elibank" in 1916 when he built the brick building, now the Turnbull Library, on the corner of his property. Dr. Herbert built his private hospital - Bowen Street Hospital; he lived on The Terrace, where the Herbert Garden Flats now are, in a house which had formerly been occupied by the artist, C. D. Barraud. Behind "Elibank", on the site of the Kelvin Service Station, the Misses Greenwood for many years conducted a girls' school.

Where the Cenotaph stands was formerly Brandon's corner, until Bowen Street was forked around the memorial during its construction in 1919. Bowen Street was not put through to Tinakori Road until just before the Second World War and until then was very quiet, ideally suited for the hospital and library. The first few graves in the Bolton Street Cemetery had to be moved to make way for it. (As early as 1843 the cemetery was the centre of disputes, when it was proposed to divert the use of this site.)

(These notes on Thorndon, Tinakori Road and Bowen Street have been much abbreviated from notes prepared for the Wellington Regional Committee of the N.Z. Historic Places Trust by A. A. St. M. Murray-Oliver, who kindly gave permission for them to be used on this occasion.)

4. KELBURN PARK

This park was formed within the original Town Belt. The original area was constructed by unemployed workers, who removed a hill and filled in hollows, completing this work in 1896. Since then a gully has been filled in on the Terrace side of this park, using shovels and horse and cart. Some of the land belonged to the hospital, but this was exchanged with the Council for other land. The area now is 15½ acres. The suburb of Kelburn was named after Viscount Kelburn, the eldest son of the Earl of Glasgow, Governor from 1892 to 1897.

5. VICTORIA UNIVERSITY

Wellington was the last of the four main centres to have its university. Victoria University College was established finally in 1897, largely through the efforts of Richard John Seddon who had just returned from Queen Victoria's jubilee celebrations. The first building, now known as the Hunter Building, was completed and opened in 1906.

'Operation Backlog' [Part One]

LISTS OF NEW FOUNDERS – over the past period when we did not always publish these lists we have been gently chided by readers for failing to do so. We are of course delighted that readers do value them. With this issue, thanks to a herculean effort by our National Secretary's office, we are able to publish a list which in part brings up to date the recording of New Zealanders who have joined the Society throughout New Zealand from and including 1973. (The second part will appear in the next issue).

Name	Address	Ship	Date	Ancestor
Miss S.M. Davies	Auckland	"Brampton"	1823	Rev. Henry Williams
Mr R.H. Polkinghorne	Auckland	"Sir Robert Sale"	1839	William Polkinghorne
Mr K.H. Polkinghorne (Jnr.)	Auckland	"Sir Robert Sale"	1839	William Polkinghorne
Mr R.B. Polkinghorne (Jnr.)	Auckland	"Sir Robert Sale"	1839	William Polkinghorne
Mrs J.E. Wadsworth	Auckland	"George Fyfe"	1842	Matthew Foy
Mrs T.L. Orr	New Plymouth	"Essex"	1843	Samuel James
Mrs E.M. Martin	Masterton	"Tory"	1840	T.W. Tankersley
Mr B.H. Hopley (Jnr.)	Masterton	"Aurora"	1840	Stanton Workman
Mrs A.I.T. Brockway	Wanganui	"Blenheim"	1842	Thomas Tuffin
Mr N. Nielson	Wanganui	"Bengal Merchant"	1840	James Nielson
Mrs E.K. Blake	Wellington	"Slains Castle"	1841	Marion & John Waters
Miss V.J. Robertson	Upper Hutt	"Aurora"	1840	Richard Fairbrother
Mrs E.M. Cottier	Auckland	"Clontarf"	1859	Abraham & Rebekah Jones
Mr J.W. Cottier (Assoc.)	Auckland	"Clontarf"	1859	Abraham & Rebekah Jones
Mr B.R. Garland	Christchurch	"Duke of Portland"	1854	Edward & Annie Garland
Mrs A.M. Cowling	Mania	"Essex"	1843	Samuel James
Mrs I.A. Cruickshank	Wellington	"Duchess of Argyle"	1842	James Lochead
Mr D.B. Barratt-Boyes	Lower Hutt	"London"	1842	William & Mary-Ann Barratt
Mr B.L. Dreadon	Wellington	"Indus"	1843	Charles Clark
Mrs A.C. Erwin	Wellington	"Bolton"	1840	Abraham & Sophia Harris
Mr R.J. Hamlin	Upper Hutt	"Fifeshire"	1842	Mary Meredith
Mrs G.M. Hamlin	Upper Hutt	"Adelaide"	1840	Charles Hunt
Mr C.D. Marshall	Tauranga	Associate Member		
Mrs M. Grover	Matamata	"Birman"	1842	George & Susan Waters
Mrs J.A. Cartmill	Putaruru	"Charlotte Jane"	1850	Ingram & Jane Shrimpton
Mrs P.A. Johnston	Matamata		1839	Webby
Mrs I.M. Burger	Wellington	"Bolton"	1840	Abraham Harris
Miss R.M. Davin	Wellington	"William Bentinck"	1841	John & Catherine Phillips
Miss J.F. McGregor	Wanganui	"Blenheim"	1840	Gregor McGregor
Mrs M.E. Standish	New Plymouth	"Skioild"	1844	C.F.J. Schwass
Miss D. Wall	Wellington	"William Bentinck"	1841	Anthony & Susannah Wall
Mr D.R. O'Donnell	Auckland	"Clifton"	1848	Mary Cleary
Miss E.M. Waygood	Auckland	"Aurora"	1840	Joseph & Elizabeth Pudney
Mr P.H. Waygood (Jnr.)	Auckland	"Aurora"	1840	Joseph & Elizabeth Pudney
Mrs S.I. Barham	New Plymouth	"William Bryant"	1841	Richard Putt
Mrs H.L. Pearson	New Plymouth	"Will Watch"	1841	John Haycock
Mrs M.I. Ross	New Plymouth	"Will Watch"	1841	John Haycock
Dr E.P. Allen	New Plymouth	"William Bryant"	1841	Thomas King
Mr J.P.C. Allen	New Plymouth	"William Bryant"	1841	Thomas King
Mr N.C.F. Corballis	Wanganui	"Blenheim"	1840	John Cameron
Mrs C.E. McGechan	Wellington	"Oriental"	1841	John & Elizabeth Hellier
Mrs C.J.M. Saunders	Tauranga	Associate Member		
Mr R.A. Ellingham	Wellington	"Lady Nugent"	1841	James Footer
Mrs H.O.R. Carr	Auckland	"Jane Gifford"	1842	John & Agnes Hill
Mrs J.A. Coutts	Auckland	"Jane Gifford"	1842	John & Agnes Hill
Mrs S.I.M. Knox	Auckland	"Jane Gifford"	1842	John & Agnes Hill
Mrs A.G. Gemming	Bay of Plenty	"London"	1840	William Foale Gilberd
Mr J.L. Judd	Tauranga	"Bolton"	1840	William Judd
Mrs M. Tully	Masterton	"Clifton"	1841	Richard Kibblewhite
Mrs S.K.E. Scott	New Plymouth	"Oriental"	1841	William & Mary Williams
Mr H.J. Buck	Wellington	"Birman"	1842	Eli Buck
Mrs L.A. Conley	Christchurch	"Aurora"	1840	Mary Elizabeth Prebble
Mr F. McBeth	Tepuke	"Bengal Merchant"	1840	John Frame McBeth

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Mrs P.O. McBeth	Tepuke	Associate		
Mrs M.S. Graham	Hamilton	Associate		
Mr R.S.A. Graham	Hamilton	H.M.S. "Herald"	1840	George Graham
Mrs M.J. Baillie	Hamilton	"Friendship"	1834	Benjamin Baker
Mr P.A. Cooper	Cambridge	H.M.S. "Herald"	1840	George Cooper
Mr J.E. Phillips	Auckland	"Slains Castle"	1841	Elizabeth MacKintosh
Mrs E.M.B. Phillips	Auckland	"Cuba"	1840	John Stratford
Mrs M.I. Norris	Hamilton	Associate		
Mr H.C.M. Norris	Hamilton	"Peking"	1850	George Curtis
Mr A.G. Ward	Hamilton	"Raymonde"	1844	Rev. Robert Ward
Mrs W.M.C. Ward	Hamilton	Associate		
Mr B.C.F. Haverbier	Hamilton	"Timandra"	1842	Joshua Flight
Mr O.H. Haverbier	Hamilton	"Adelaide"	1840	J.W.H. Brown
Mr G.B. Batt	Hamilton	"Samarang"	1852	Phoebe Bathurst
Mr D.B. Dean	Hamilton	"Samarang"	1852	Phoebe Bathurst
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Mrs J.G.W. Trow	Cambridge	"Bengal Merchant"	1840	John Nisbet
Mrs A.N.W. Moore	Cambridge	"Bengal Merchant"	1840	John Nisbet
Mr A.A.N. Moore	Cambridge	Associate		
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Mrs V.T. von Dadelszen	Hamilton	Associate		
Mr W.E. Geddes	Auckland	"Clifford"	1842	George & Hannah Ratt
Mrs C.G. Compton-Smith	Rangiora	"Mandarin"	1841	George Compton
Mr R.E. Pedersen	Masterton	"Bengal Merchant"	1840	David McEwen
Mrs H.G. Brace	New Plymouth	"Essex"	1843	Samuel & Sarah James
Miss P.S. Southcombe	Australia	"Moolton"	1849	Daniel MacGregor
Mr S.M. Clarke (Jnr.)	Wellington	"Arab"	1840	John & Caroline Hooper
Miss R.J. Clarke (Jnr.)	Wellington	"Arab"	1840	John & Caroline Hooper
Mr N.L. McLean	Nelson	"Lord Auckland"	1842	Daniel Burn
Mr F.D. Bell	Wellington	"Birman"	1842	John Bell
Mr R.A.J. Collins	Te Puke	"Catherine Stewart Forbes"	1841	David & Philadelphia Benge
Mrs N.S. Brown	Wellington	"Thomas & Henry"	1857	William Strachan
Mr F.T. Standish	Taranaki	"Tyne"	1843	Thomas Startdish
Mrs M.E. Corbett	Waitara	"Amelia Thompson"	1841	William & Prudence Allen
Mrs M.E.M. Collins	Hamilton	"Duchess of Argyle"	1842	Robert & Mary Andrew
Mr A.G.A. Baigent	Hamilton	"Clifford"	1840	Isaac Baigent
Mrs K.M. Russell	Hamilton	"Bengal Merchant"	1840	John Nisbet
Mrs R.M. Stone	Cambridge	"Isabella Hercus"	1851	Rev. James Wilson
Mr C.E.J. Stone	Cambridge	"Isabella Hercus"	1851	Rev. James Wilson
Miss R.V. Stone	Cambridge	"Isabella Hercus"	1851	Rev. James Wilson
Mrs M.E. Cooper	Auckland	"Bernicia"	1848	John Ellis
Mrs D.A. McBreen	Auckland	"Jane Gifford"	1842	Edward Austin
Mrs M.C. Grant	Lower Hutt	"Fyfeshire"	1842	John Gibson
Miss P.M. Linehan	New Plymouth	"Woodbridge"	1850	Charles Burrell
Mr P.R. Barrett	Auckland	"Timandra"	1842	Phillip Vercoe
Mrs N.J. Cole	Auckland	Whaling Ship	1830	Charles Cave
Mr F.S. Dawson	Auckland	"Adelaide"	1840	Alfred & Eliza Hewitt
Miss R.N. Jones	Wanganui	"Martha Ridgway"	1840	Joseph John Jones
Miss E.C. Curran	Wellington	"Lord Auckland"	1842	John Waterhouse
Mrs J.G. Rendell	Te Puke	"Catherine Stewart Forbes"	1841	James Collins
Mrs B.M. MacDiarmid	Hamilton	"Emily Bolton"	1840	Rev. J.F. Churton
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Mrs D.C. Blomfield	Hamilton	"Olympus"	1841	D.M. McKain
Mr P.T. Samuel	Hamilton	"Tainui" (Canoe)		Wiremu Tomihana
Mr R.A. Tyler	Hamilton			Henry Thomas William Carter
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Mrs J.M. O'Brien	Lower Hutt	"Ajax"	1849	John & Elizabeth Hughes
Mrs D.F. Smith	Lower Hutt	"Governor MacQuarrie"	1824	Rev. Richard Davis
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Mrs M. Payton	Masterton	"Sir George Osborne"	1825	William Williams
Mrs V.A. White	Masterton	"Thomas Sparks"	1843	John Newbigin
Mrs N.M. Hausmann	New Plymouth	"Bolton"	1840	Thomas Woodman
Mrs L.Z. MacLeod	Whangarei	"Martha Ridgway"	1840	Charles & Margaret Small
Rev. A.R. Broughton	Raetihi	"William Hyde"	1852	James Broughton
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Mr R.J. Marsh	New Plymouth	"Timandra"	1842	Esau Marsh
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Miss N.J. Ward	Masterton	"London"	1842	Henry & Mary Burling
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Mr D.J. Gillingham	Marton	"Timandra"	1842	Stephen England Gillingham
Mr P.S. Gillingham	Marton	"Timandra"	1842	Stephen England Gillingham
Miss J.B. Gillingham	Marton	"Timandra"	1842	Stephen England Gillingham
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Mr D.V. Sutherland	New Plymouth	Associate		
Mrs R.J. Wilson	Waitara	"Whitby"	1841	William Brydon
Mrs J.M. Williams	Auckland	Associate		
Mr P.G. Williams	Auckland	"Brampton"	1823	Henry & William Williams
Mr H.E. Gee	Cambridge	"Sir George Pollock"	1851	Walter Gee
Mr L.H. Cummings	Mt Maungauni	"Himalaya"	1844	Robert Cameron
Mr H.F.L. Hayman	Lower Hutt	"Randolph"	1850	John & Mary Stanley
Mrs H.I. Lyford	Wellington	"London"	1840	George & Pricilla Curtis
Mr M.H. McConnell	Wellington	"Phoebe Dunbar"	1850	William Chisnall
Mrs J. Norling	Wellington	"Minerva"	1828	Rev. Charles Baker
Miss A. Norling	Wellington	"Minerva"	1828	Rev. Charles Baker
Mr T.R. Harper	Christchurch	"Nimrod"	1839	Rev. Richard Taylor
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Mrs A.M. Hodder	Featherston	"Slains Castle"	1841	George & Rebecca Fellingham
Miss B.E. Hodder	Featherston	"Slains Castle"	1841	George & Rebecca Fellingham
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Mrs A.D. Tobin	Auckland	Associate		
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Miss S.M. Craig	Wellington	"Anne Watson"	1839	William Motion
Mrs M.A. Gaskin	Wellington	"Olympus"	1841	Thomas Mason
Miss J.M. Jones	Wellington	"Ajax"	1849	George Hay
Miss J.A. Jones	Wellington	"Ajax"	1849	George Hay
Mr J.E. Hunt	Palmerston Nth.	"Adelaide"	1840	Charles Hunt
Mr P.W. Hunt	Palmerston Nth.	"Adelaide"	1840	Charles Hunt
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Mr L.B. Sandford	Hamilton	"Blenheim"	1842	Thomas Rusden
Mrs B.B. Willetts	Auckland	"Blundell"	1848	James & Margaret Gilfillan
Mr I.C. Blomfield	Hamilton		1836	William Taylor
Mr R.T. Burnon	Hamilton	"Slains Castle"	1841	Robert & Margaret Forbes
Mrs R.L. Pierce	Hamilton	"Jane Gifford"	1842	Edward & Elizabeth George
Mrs B.H. Chapman	Hamilton	"London"	1840	George Curtis
Mrs Z.E. Annesley-Smith	Auckland	"Duchess of Argyle"	1842	Richard Cameron
Mr A.R. McNaughten	Auckland	"Westminster"	1840	Dugald McNaughten
Mr F.P. McDonald	Whangarei	Associate		
Mrs D.J. Frazer	Kaikohe	"Hannah Watson"	1840	Mary Vercoe
Mrs I.H. Hargrave	Whangarei	"George Fife"	1841	Francis & Rose Burclett-Jones
Mrs K.M. Gunby	Whangarei	"William Bryant"	1841	Valentine & Eliza Harrison
Mr Y.I. Denton	Carterton	"Sir George Seymour"	1850	John Frederick Denton
Mrs M.A. Denton	Carterton	"Isabella Hercus"	1856	David Todd
Mr H.J. Hunt	Palmerston Nth.	"Adelaide"	1840	Charles Hunt
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Mrs F.M. Keene	Whangarei	"Governor"	1824	Rev. Richard Davis

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Mr H.H. Harper	Auckland	"Nimrod"	1839	Rev. Richard Taylor
Mrs L.M. Fitzgibbon	Wellington	"Martha Ridgway"	1842	John Waterhouse
Mr W.G. Marriott	Lower Hutt	"Thomas Sparks"	1842	James Henry Marriott
Mrs J.A. Sloan	Wellington	"Oriental"	1840	Emily Bishop
Mrs J.A. Southall	Wellington	"Himalaya"	1843	Robert & Sarah Cameron
Mr T.E. Synnott	Wellington	"Clifton"	1842	Thomas Webbey
Miss R.A. Synnott (Jnr.)	Wellington	"Clifton"	1842	Thomas Webbey
Miss N.L. Synnott	Wellington	"Clifton"	1842	Thomas Webbey
Mrs M.M. Beukes	Tauranga	"Phillip Laing"	1848	James Adams
Mrs V.D. Hatley	Auckland	"Mary Ann"	1842	Charles Vincent
Mrs E.C. Thomsen	Auckland	"Slains Castle"	1841	William Greenwood
Mr A. Bennett	Rotorua		1849	John Boyle Bennett
Mr C. Annesley-Smith	Auckland	"Harrington"	1841	George Hawkins
Mr A.J. McPhail (Jnr.)	Auckland	"Clifford"	1842	Edward Baigent
Miss S.J. McPhail (Jnr.)	Auckland	"Clifford"	1842	Edward Baigent
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Mrs F.L. Silcock	Cambridge	"Mary Ann"	1842	Charles Vincent
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Mrs H.A. Howarth	Wellington	"Indus"	1843	Charles & Dinah Clark
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—An historic meeting — those members who attended the first meeting of the Dominion Council's Executive (1975-76) held in the new National Headquarter's Boardroom, Top Floor, Wakefield House II, are pictured here by fellow member Ewan Hay-MacKenzie as they strive not to appear too pleased with themselves.

L to R: Rev. H.A. Tankersley, Mrs Hillary Olsen, Mrs Elisabeth Anderson (National Secretary-Treasurer), Mr Ian Cameron (Dominion President), Mr Gerald Bridge (Deputy Dominion President), Dr Maurice Mulcahy, Mr Lindsay Buick-Constable (Immediate Past Dominion President), Mrs Beth Mills, Mr M.B. Shand and Mr Robert Lawrence.

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As a footnote to an edition primarily intended to mark the advent on Wellington's skyline of Wakefield House II — here is another photograph taken by Dominion Councillor Ewan Hay-MacKenzie. It shows a highlight of the 1973 Champagne Farewell accorded Wakefield House I as members join in a toast saluting the past about to make way for the future. This was, of course, symbolic of our pioneer forebears who last century bid their old-world past farewell to start life afresh in a promising brand new place — New Zealand.