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## New publications

### **Building a paper economy: advertising in Wellington newspapers 1840-1859: a descriptive and statistical study** by K.A. Coleridge

This study illuminates one aspect of the growth and vicissitudes of the Wellington economy, from its foundation by the New Zealand Company to the late 1850s. It examines 9525 advertisements printed between November 1840 and December 1859 in a sample of 111 issues of the five newspapers published in Wellington during that period. The advertisements are considered by subject in sixteen categories, such as Auctions, Livestock, Jobs and Retail Trade. The advertisers are also examined, the most prominent as individuals and others in groups, and the whole discussion is placed in the context of the financial prosperity of the individual newspapers and their rivalries.

There is an appendix of Types of Advertisement, a General Index and an Index of Advertisers, together with 42 statistical tables, and a map of New Zealand localities mentioned in the text.

*132 pp. plus 74 pp. of tables, and a map*  
ISBN 0-475-10902-3 (paper)

\$33.75 inclusive of GST and surface postage from  
Victoria University of Wellington Library,  
P.O. Box 600, Wellington.

### **Archives New Zealand 3, medicine and public health: A directory of medical and public health archives and manuscript repositories** edited by Frank Rogers

This directory surveys the holdings of the following repositories: Area health boards, art gallery and museum libraries, city councils, historical societies, professional bodies, public archival institutions, public libraries, Otago University Medical School, university libraries.

For each archive, details are given of: volume if known, inclusive dates, description of holdings, names and categories of important collections, how to get there, to whom to address enquiries, and the conditions of access. Subject matters listed include: abortion, birth control, child care and hygiene, dentistry, geriatrics, hospitals, Maori health, medical practitioners, nurses and nursing, patients, pharmacy, public health, ships' health and hygiene, voluntary agencies,

wartime medical services, women's health and hygiene.

*Approximately 90 pages and 90 entries; paperback;*

*257mm x 185mm; illus.*

ISBN 0-9597777-3-3

\$30 (postage \$1 GST not payable) from

Archives Press,

43 Gordon Road, Plimmerton.

### **Archival and research material held in the West Coast Historical Museum**

Research material in the collection includes the following categories of records :

directories (from 1866 - not comprehensive)

cemetery transcriptions

burial registers

school admission registers

burgess rolls (Greymouth, Hokitika only)

old age pensioner lists (Grey county)

diaries and personal effects

business licences (Waimea 1876 to 1883)

rate records (Hokitika borough)

church records

church histories

school histories

business histories and records

locality histories

shipping records (very few)

newspapers (particularly the *West Coast*

*Times*, from 1865)

In addition, the museum holds a comprehensive collection of photographs covering most towns and areas on the West Coast. Copies of any of these photographs can be provided.

Collections are accessible to people using the research desk, depending on their degree of fragility. A charge is made of \$2.60 per hour for use of the collections, or \$25.00 per hour for staff to research specific subjects.

*Available from the West Coast Historical Museum, Private Bag, Tancred Street, Hokitika.*

### **Three hundred years of New Zealand books : being a select chronological listing and commentary, primarily but not solely literary, from Tasman to 1975.** Comp. Peter Alcock & William Broughton, English Dept., Massey University, Palmerston North, N.Z.

This book is a survey, year by year from first European contact to 1975, of the major books, local or overseas, that mirror the concerns of a developing country. Primarily listing creative literature, the book also extensively records general contemporary titles from cookery to sociol-