



## Ships, sailormen and their passengers

**S**UCH a richness of maritime material exists in the Hocken Library collections that—even without the inclusion of Exploration—this Bulletin can be no more than an introduction, with the emphasis placed on New Zealand and related Australian resources.

Some aspects have already been covered in earlier Bulletins, such as hydrographic charts (No.5); and relevant items are also to be found in missionaries' papers (No.8), newspapers (No.3), political papers (No.6), surveying (No.9), and Americana (No.13).

### Passenger Lists

The Library holds the two-volume listing of *Otago/Southland Assisted Passengers 1872–1888*, who arrived at Port Chalmers or Bluff. The lists give occupations, ages, countries of origin and the year of arrival. Other composite lists are *Passenger Lists to Otago 1869–1875*, from the *Otago Provincial Gazette*; *Paying Passengers to Otago 1871–80* by P. Henderson and Co. *Ships*; and an *Inventory of Holdings, 1839–1888, at the Auckland Public Library* (1968). Also useful is the two-volume *List of Immigrants, Debtors to the Provincial Government of Otago, 1848–1869*.

Individual passenger lists held include: *Achilles*, 1870; *Agnes Muir*, 1872; *Agra*, 1858; *Ajax*, 1848–9; *Akaroa*, 1934; *Aldegrove*, 1875; *Asia*, 1874; *Atrato*, 1874; *Berkshire*, 1849; *Bernicia*, 1848; *Black Swan*, 1866; *Blair Drummond*, 1879; *Blundell*, 1848; *Bolton*, 1842; *Bruce*, 1860, 1861; *Buckinghamshire*, 1874; *Cameo*, 1859; *Canterbury*, 1864; *Cape Clear*, 1879; *Carnatic*, 1874, 1875; *Caroline Coventry*, 1869; *Cashmere*, 1859; *Charlotte Gladstone*, 1871; *Christian McAusland*, 1871, 1872, 1875; *Chile*, 1861; *City of Dunedin*, 1873; *Clifford*, 1842; *Clontarf*, 1859; *Cockermouth*, 1879; *Cornwall*, 1849; *Corona*, 1874; *Cresswell*, 1859; *Crysolite*, 1862; *Dallam Tower*, 1874; *David G. Fleming*, 1863; *Duchess of Argyle*, 1842; *Dunedin*, 1883; *Dunfile*, 1870; *Dunfillan*, 1874; *Eden*, 1850; *Edward P. Bouverie*, 1870; *Electra*, 1879; *Euterpe*, 1873; *Eveline*, 1865; *George Canning*, 1857; *Harvest Home*, 1870; *Helen Denny*, 1879; *Henrietta*, 1860; *Hindustan*, 1874; *Hydaspes*, 1869; *Invercargill*, 1874, 1876; *Ivanhoe*, 1864; *James Nicol Fleming*, 1870, 1871, 1874, 1875; *Jane Gifford*, 1842; *Janet Court*, 1874; *Jessie Readman*, 1870; *John Temperley*, 1866; *John Wickliffe*, 1848; *Jura*, 1858; *Katherine Stuart Forbes*, 1841; *Kelso*, 1849; *Lady Egidia*, 1861; *Lady Jocelyn*, 1873; *Lady Nugent*, 1849–50; *Lancashire Witch*, 1863, 1865; *Larkins*, 1849; *Leucadia*, 1870; *Light Brigade*, 1868; *London*, 1842;

*Magnet*, 1840; *Mariner*, 1849, 1850; *Mary*, 1849; *Mary Shepherd*, 1873; *Mataura*, 1863; *Melbourne*, 1861; *Merope*, 1871; *Mooltan*, 1849; *Nelson*, 1888; *Nourmahal*, 1858; *Oriental*, 1840; *Oruba*, 1901; *Palmerston*, 1872; *Parsee*, 1874; *Pekin*, 1849; *Peter Denny*, 1873; *Philip Laing*, 1848; *Pladda*, 1861; *Poictiers*, 1850; *Queen of the North*, 1862; *Rajah*, 1853; *Resolute*, 1865; *Robert Henderson*, 1858, 1860, 1861, 1870; *Royal Stuart*, 1861; *Schleswig Bride*, 1868; *Scimitar*, 1874; *Sevilla*, 1859, 1862; *Shun Lee*, 1871; *Silistria*, 1860, 1862; *Sir Charles Forbes*, 1842; *Sir Edward Paget*, 1856; *Sir William Eyre*, 1863; *Slains Castle*, 1852; *Storm Cloud*, 1860; *Strathallan*, 1858; *Strathfieldsaye*, 1858; *Strathmore*, 1856; *Surat*, 1874; *Tasmania*, 1853; *Thomas Harrison*, 1842; *Thomas Stephens*, 1879; *Three Bells*, 1858; *Timaru*, 1875, 1879, 1880; *Titan*, 1851; *Tudor*, 1865; *Tweed*, 1874; *Ulcoats*, 1865; *Victoria*, 1862; *Victory*, 1848; *Victory*, 1884; *Waikato*, 1881; *Wanganui*, 1877, 1878; *Warrior Queen*, 1868; *Wellington*, 1879; *Wild Deer*, 1871, 1873, 1874; *William Lindsay*, 1870; *William Watson*, 1858; *Zambia*, 1862; *Zealandia*, 1858.

### Voyage Accounts

The valuable two-volume *Log of Logs* compiled by Ian Nicholson (1990, 1993) is a catalogue of 'Journals, Shipboard Diaries, Letters and all Forms of Voyage Narratives 1788–1988/90 for Australia, New Zealand and Surrounding Oceans'. Brief accounts of most immigrant ship voyages can be found in the Comber 'Index to Ships Arriving in New Zealand, 1839–74' (1982), while Sir Henry Brett's 2vol *White Wings* (1924, 1928) combines voyage lists and accounts for the whole country.

More specialised works are: Cumpston, J.S. *Shipping Arrivals at Sydney, 1788–1825*, and Nicholson, Ian *Shipping Arrivals at Sydney, 1826–1840; Shipping Arrivals and Departures, Tasmania, Vol.2, 1834–1842* (1985); Syme, M.A. *Shipping Arrivals and Departures, Victorian Ports*,

*Vol. 1, 1798–1845* (1984), *Vol.2, 1846–1855* (1987); Hughes, I.A. *Coastal Passengers to Port Phillip 1839* (1983), *1840* (1983); *Passengers to Port Phillip from Liverpool 1839–1845* (1982); *Passengers to Port Phillip from Southern England, 1839–1842* (1981). Rhys Richards has compiled a similar list for the *Chatham Islands, 1791–1961*; while the *Bay of Islands Arrivals and Departures, 1803–1840* (1993) is the joint work of Rhys Richards and Jocelyn Chisholm.

Hocken Archives hold 98 identifiable accounts of various individual voyages, and further voyage accounts will be found among the 74 sets of personal papers which have been identified as having maritime interest. Inventories are available for both these groups. More specific references to the early migrant ships are contained in the Shipping section of W.H. Trimble's *Catalogue of the Hocken Library*.

### Sailing Ships

The library holds many works on aspects of the sailing ship era, including: Jackson, G. *Settlement by Sail: 19th century immigration to N.Z.* (1991); Noble, J. *The Golden Age of Sail of Australia and N.Z.*; Lubbock, B. *The Last of the Windjammers* (1927, 1929) and *The Colonial Clippers* (1948); Naish, G.P.B. *The Visual Encyclopedia of Nautical Terms under Sail* (1978); Lawson, W. *Blue Gum Clippers and Whale Ships of Tasmania* (1949); Fairburn, W.A. *Merchant Sail, Vols I to VI* (1975–76); Paine, R.D. *Ships and Sailors of Old Salem* (1908); Putnam, G.R. *Salem Vessels and their Voyages, Vols 1–4* (1924); Maxwell, C.B. *Wooden Hookers* (1940); Hawkins, C.W. *The Long of the Huia* (1973), *Argosy of Sail* (1980), *A Maritime Heritage—The Lore of Sail in N.Z.* (1978) and *Out of Auckland* (1960); Greenhill, B. *Schooners* (1980), Greenhill and Gifford. *Victorian and Edwardian Sailing Ships* (1976); Kerr, G.J. *Australian and N.Z. Sail Traders* (1974); Darroch, W. *Barque Polly Woodside* (1978); Parsons, R. *Sail in the South* (1975); Eaddy, P.A. *Neath Swaying Spars* (1939), *Sails Beneath the Southern Cross* (1954); Churchouse, E.J. *The Pamir under the N.Z. Ensign* (1978); Ashby, T. *Phantom Fleet, the Scows and Scowmen of Auckland* (1975).

### Registers of Ships

Information on individual ships can be found in *Lloyds Register of Shipping* series, of which the Library holds the years 1764, 1768, 1776, 1778–84, 1786–87, 1789–1816, and 1818 to the present. Most of the Register Books from 1764 to 1900 are Gregg Press reprints, and as such are fully posted, with the supplements to each register bound in. In addition, from 1890 most Vol.1 series (Register Book) are enhanced with Vol.2 (Appendices). These are supplemented by Blake, G. *Lloyds Register of Shipping 1760–1960* (1960), *Lloyds Annual Reports* (from 1966), *Lloyds Register of Yachts* (1920, 1948, 1952–66) and *Lloyds Book of House Flags and Funnels of the Principal Steamship Lines of the World etc* (1904).

For New Zealand ships, the most useful source is Watt, M.N. *Index to the New Zealand Section of the Register of All British Ships, 1840–1950* (1963); [the actual Customs Register of Ships for Otago-Southland

is in National Archives, Dunedin]. Other registers are the *New Zealand Shipping Directory* (Christchurch, 1962); *Ships in the Australian, New Zealand and Islands Registers* (Sydney, 1952, 1959); and Jarrett, F.C. *The Mercantile Navy List of Australia and New Zealand* (Sydney, 1871).

### Shipping Companies

*General* — Anon. *Commission of Inquiry into Shipping* (1971); Andrews, G. *Veteran Ships of Australia and N.Z.* (1976); Bateson, C. *Convict Ships, Gold Fleet for California* (1963); Fildes, R.D. *The Ships that Serve Australia and New Zealand* (1975–77, 1983); Kirk, A.A. *Ships and Sailormen* (1964); Lawson, W. *Pacific Steamers* (1909); Maber, J.M. *North Star to Southern Cross*; McLean, G. *N.Z. Coastal Passenger Ships* (1989); Morton, Harry. *The Wind Commands* (1975); Nicoll, B.S. *Modern Standard-Built Ships* (1975); Paasch, Capt. H. *Illustrated Marine Encyclopedia* (1977 facsimile reprint); Plowman, P. *Passenger Ships to Australia and N.Z.* (1992); Rhodes, Capt. F. *Pageant of the Pacific, Vols 1 & 2* (1936); Stewart, I.G. *The Ships that Serve New Zealand* (1964); Uden, G. & Cooper, R. *Dictionary of British Ships and Seamen* (1980).  
*Alfred Holt* — Hyde, F.E. *Blue Funnel* (1957).  
*Anchor Shipping Co.* — Kirk, A.A. *Anchor Ships and Anchor Men* (1967).  
*Australian United Steam Navigation* — McKellar, N.L. *From Derby round to Burketown* (1977).  
*Blue Star Line Ltd* — Taffrail (Capt.T. Dorling) *Blue Star Line — A Record of Service 1939–45* (1948).  
*Burns Philp & Co.* — Parsons, R.H. *The Ships of Burns Philp & Co.* (1978).  
*Canterbury Steam Shipping Co.* — McLean, G. *Canterbury Coasters* (1987).  
*N.Z. Shipping Co.* — Walters, S.D. *Clipper Ship to Motor Liner* (1939).  
*P. Henderson & Co.* — Laird, D. *Paddy Henderson* (1961).  
*Huddart Parker Ltd* — Huddart Parker Ltd *War History 1939–1945* (1961).  
*N.Z. Shipping Co. Ltd* — Waters, S.D. *Clipper Ship to Motor Liner 1873–1939* (1939), *Ordeal By Sea 1939–1945* (1949); Bott, A. *The Sailing Ships of the N.Z. Shipping Co. 1873–1900* (1972), *N.Z. Shipping Company Register 1875–1893* (1988, microfilm); McLean, G. *Ships of the N.Z. Shipping Company* (1989).  
*Northern Steam Ship Co. Ltd* — Furniss, C. *Servants of the North* (1977).  
*P. & O. Steam Navigation Co.* — Cable, B.A. *Hundred Year History of the P. & O. 1837–1937* (1937); Divine, D. *These Splendid Ships* (1960).  
*Richardson & Co.* — Waters, S.D. *Richardsons of Napier 1859–1959* (1960); McLean, G. *Richardsons of Napier* (1989).  
*Shaw Savill & Albion* — Bowen, F.C. *The Flag of the Southern Cross 1858–1939* (1939), *1939–1945* (1947); Bryant, Sir A. *100 Years Under the Southern Cross* (1958); Mitchell, A. *Splendid Sisters, Southern Cross and Northern Star* (1966); Savill, D. *Sail to N.Z.: the Story of Shaw Savill & Co.* (1986); Waters, S.D. *Shaw Savill Line* (1961).

*Subritzky Shipping* — Subritzky, M.R.G. *The Subritzky Legend* (1990), *Subritzky Shipping, a Heritage of Sail 1843–1993* (1993).  
*Tasman Steam Ship Co.* — Blair, W.E. *Shoestring Shipping Line* (1967).  
*Union Steam Ship Co.* — Brewer, N.H. *A Century of Style, Great Ships of the Union Line 1875–1976* (1982); Churchouse, E.J. *Glamour Ships of the Union Steamship Company* (1981); Farquhar, I.J. *Union Fleet* (1976); Hamilton, J.H. *The All Red Route* (1959); Kirk, A.A. *Express Steamers of Cook Strait* (1968); McLauchlan, G. *The Line That Dared* (1987), McLean, G. *The Southern Octopus* (1990), *Ships of the Union Company* (1989); Waters, S.D. *Union Line 1875–1951* (1952).

The Archives contain 41 metres of Union Steam Ship Co. records for the period 1873–1913, for which a two-volume inventory has been compiled. The papers, arranged in 15 series, cover Dunedin and Port Chalmers, New Zealand and overseas branches, and correspondence with political figures (including James Mills's correspondence as an MP). At least 15 other shipping companies are referred to as well as maritime unions and individual company ships.

Other papers relating to the U.S.S. Co. are those of Angus Cameron (Marine Superintendent); a list of company plans held in the Alexander Turnbull Library; and papers relating to the vessels *Beautiful Star*, *Maheno*, *Mokoia*, *Rotomahana* and *Wairarapa*. Researchers into the Union Company would find it helpful first to consult Gavin McLean's *The Southern Octopus*, with its extensive bibliography.

Also held are National Mortgage & Agency Co. of N.Z., head office archives, 1877–1975 (restricted); Dunedin and Invercargill records — for their maritime content, see Parry, G. *N.M.A. Its First Hundred Years, 1864–1964*; also some papers of John Mill and Co. (Oamaru branch), Keith Ramsay Ltd (1865–1977), and the Southern S.S. Co. The Hocken also has handbooks of several shipping companies, eg the Adelaide S.S. Co.; Panama, N.Z. and Australian Royal Mail Co.; P. and O.; Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.

### Public Sector

*Marine Dept* — Martin, E.R. *Marine Department Centennial History, 1866–1966*, (1970); also the Department's annual reports in *Appendices to the Journals of the House of Representatives (AJHR)*  
*Royal N.Z. Navy* — Anon. *Ships of the Royal N.Z. Navy* (1966); Burgess, M. *Ships of the Royal N.Z. Navy* (1979).

### Shipwrecks

*General* — Bannerman, J.W.H. *Milestones, or Wrecks in Southern N.Z.* (1913); Campbell, B.A. *Historic Shipwrecks at the Chatham Islands* (1977); Chapman-Cohen, G.C.E. *Perils in South Otago Waters* (1936); Collins, B.E. *Rocks, Reefs and Sandbars—A History of Otago Shipwrecks* (1995); Edwards, H. *Australian and N.Z. Shipwrecks and Sea Tragedies* (1978), and *Sharks and Shipwrecks* (1975); Ingram, C.W.N. *New Zealand Shipwrecks, 1795–1960* (1961, and later editions); Kingston, W.H.G. *Shipwrecks and Disasters at Sea* (1883);

Locker-Lampson, S. and Francis, I. *The Wreck Book* (1979); McLean, G. *N.Z. Tragedies—Shipwrecks and Maritime Disasters* (1991), *Shipwrecks around N.Z.* (1994); Noble, J.A. *Hazards of the Sea* (1970); Sibthorpe, Julie A. *A Select Bibliography [of] N.Z. Shipwrecks* (1977).  
*Dundonald* — Eyre, C. *The Castaways of Disappointment Island* (1933).  
*Elingamite* — Doak, W. *The Elingamite and Its Treasure* (1969)  
*Endeavour* — Hocken, T.M. *Notes on the Derelict Ship in Facile Harbour, Dusky Bay* (1887)  
*General Grant* — Eunson, R.K. *The Wreck of the General Grant* (1974)  
*Grafton* — Musgrave, T. *Castaways on the Auckland Islands* (1866); Raynal, F.E. *Wrecked on a Reef* (1875).  
*London* — Ballantyne, J.; Munro, J. (1866)  
*Orpheus* — Hetherington, R. *The Wreck of HMS Orpheus* (1975)  
*Osprey* — Moon, H. *An Account of the Wreck of H.M. Sloop Osprey* (1858); Reed, A.W. *The Wreck of the Osprey* (1937); Foster, Jane. *Ship on Shore* (1982)  
*Pacific Charger* — Anderson, G. *Some Environmental Aspects of the Pacific Charger Stranding* (1981)  
*Penguin* — Cracroft, W.R. *The Penguin Inquiry* (1909)  
*Surat* — Collins, B. *The Wreck of the Surat* (1991)  
*Tararua* — MacIntosh, Joan. *The Wreck of the Tararua* (1970)  
*Triumph* — Johnson, D. *The Ship that Hit the Lighthouse* (1981)  
*Wahine* — *Report of the Court of Inquiry* (1968); Boon, K. *The Wahine Disaster* (1990); Lambert, M.E. *The Wahine Disaster* (1969).  
*Wairarapa* — Locker-Lampson, S. *Eight Minutes Past Midnight* (1981)

### Ports

In addition to the massive general literature on shipping and annual reports of the various harbour boards, many books and pamphlets have been issued on the various ports around New Zealand. The two main books on the Port of Otago are A.H. McLintock's *The Port of Otago* (1951), and Gavin McLean's *Otago Harbour: Currents of Controversy* (1975); while H.O. Bowman's centennial publication, *Port Chalmers—Gateway to Otago* (1948) and Ian Church's *Port Chalmers and Its People* (1994) focus on Port Chalmers. John Hall-Jones wrote a good historical account of *Bluff Harbour* (1976); and Gavin McLean did the same for Oamaru in *Oamaru Harbour: Port in a Storm* (1982). A few of the smaller southern coastal ports feature in J.O'C. Ross's *Pride in Their Ports* (1977) while innumerable local histories on such places as Moeraki, Waikouaiti, Taieri Mouth, Balclutha, Waikawa, Stewart Island, Riverton, Port Preservation and Martins Bay contain chapters on anchorages and shipping. As far as inland shipping goes, R.J. Meyer's *All Aboard* (1963, greatly revised in 1980) gives excellent coverage of commercial shipping on Lake Wakatipu.

Informative books are available on all New Zealand's main northern ports, while Ian Church's

*Little Ships of Patea* (1977) is representative of histories dealing with many of the smaller shipping centres.

### Photographs

Several thousand shipping photographs are held in the Hocken collections, and the *Gordon Black Shipping Index* provides a substantial card index to most of these holdings, including illustrations in the *Otago Witness* and shipping items in general albums.

Of specialist ship photographers, D.A. De Maus was one of the best-known, and the collection of his work is one of the largest. But also notable for various reasons are the J.L. Harraway, M.E.D. Downes and Rosshavet Whaling Co. collections, and many photographers are represented overall.

### Paintings

Researchers should not overlook the Hocken Pictures Collection, which holds quite a number of paintings associated with shipping and maritime subjects — and some fine works by such artists as Louis le Breton and W.M. Hodgkins.

### Shipbuilding and Repair

Archives hold some records of William Isbister, John McGregor and Co. and Knewstubb Bros. An inventory has been prepared of the plans by the naval architect G.W. Gough: they include the small steamers *Tawera*, *Rose Casey*, *Peninsula*, and *Plucky*.

### Harbour Recreation

Also in Archives are the records of the Macandrew Bay Boating Club, Otago Yacht Club, Port Chalmers Naval Volunteer Rifle Shoots, Port Chalmers United Rowing Club, Ravensbourne Boating Club, South Island Rowing Inc. and clipping books relating to Otago-Southland rowing and yachting.

### Pilots

The Library holds the *New Zealand Pilot* from 1930 to the present, and also the earlier editions for 1856, 1875, 1901 and 1908; as well as Pilot Guides for the Antarctic, for Australia (from 1855), the East Indies (from 1870), 'Oceanica', the Pacific Coast and the Pacific Ocean.

One of the Hocken's most treasured items is the 1827 edition of the *Compleat East India Pilot*, believed to be the only copy still in existence. It has just undergone extensive restoration and repair.

For harbour piloting, see Keyse, G.J. *Pilots, Otago Harbour, 1830–1988* (1989).

### Harbour Board Records

Following the establishment of Port Otago Ltd in 1989, Hocken Archives received considerable quantities of Otago Harbour Board records to add to its previous holdings. Researchers who consult the bibliography in Gavin McLean's *Currents of Controversy* should note that most if not all the Board records listed there have since been transferred to the Hocken. [Port Otago retains its photographic collection, some plans, and recent berthage records].

Also held are the 'Records of the Invercargill Jetty, 1884–1915', and also the Clutha County Council's

papers, which include records of the Clutha River Board and its steamers.

### Theses

Surprisingly few university theses have been devoted to shipping subjects. Four of particular Otago interest in the Hocken are:

Bidmead, W.D. 'Coastal Shipping in Otago, 1830–78', O.U., 1950.

Chapman, M. 'The Golden Years of the Shipping Industry', O.U., 1975.

Clarke, S.J. 'The Voyage to Otago, 1870s', O.U., 1990.

Taylor, M.A. 'Otago's Seaborne Trade from the Pioneering Days to 1879', O.U., 1943.

Further relevant theses are held in the main University Library.

### Seamen's Papers

Discharges, certificates etc. are held of Alexander Bain (1857–61), James Marks (1854–80), Fred Shackleton (1902–12) and Michael Wycherley (1851, 1855)

### Whaling

Hocken Archives hold the papers of Dr Joseph Crocome, Octavius Harwood and Lucy Ann Harwood, James Kelly, Edward Shortland, the Rev. James Watkin, and G. and E. Weller, all of which contain useful material on shore-based whalers. See also Coutts, P. (re archaeology on Taieri Island) and King, A.P. (re whaling and Eber Bunker).

Among the useful books in the Hocken Library are: Langdon, Robert. *Where the Whalers Went: An Index to the Pacific Ports and Islands visited by American Whalers and some other ships in the 19th Century* (1984); McNab, R. *The Old Whaling Days* (1913); Morton, H. *The Whales' Wake* (1982); Philp, J.E. *Whaling Ways of Hobart Town* (1936); Richards, R. *Whaling and Sealing at the Chatham Islands* (1982), *The Foveaux Whaling Yarns of Yankee Jack* (1995); Tod, F. *Whaling in Southern Waters* (1982); Villiers, A.J. *Vanished Fleets* (1931); Watt, J.P.C. *Stewart Island's Kaipipi Shipyard and the Ross Sea Whalers* (1989).

### Further Afield

Other public sources of maritime information in Otago are: National Archives (Dunedin) — Lighthouse records, Customs records, Registers, and files from a number of defunct shipping lines; North Otago Museum (Oamaru) — Oamaru Harbour Board records (extensive); Otago Museum (Dunedin) — Ship models and other equipment; Otago Settlers Museum (Dunedin) — Passenger lists, ship models; Port Chalmers Museum — Otago-Southland ships, Port Otago, Union Steam Ship Co., general.

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