EDITORIAL NOTE

It is less than twenty years since we moved from using the old fashioned ‘Banda’ and ‘Gestetner’ machines for producing multiple copies of material to personal computers and new ways of reproducing documents. The rapid revolution in electronic communication and the storage of archives has begun to impact deeply on the work of historians. This affects the way historians write their work and keep in contact with others. It also influences the way that historians find out about materials through the new computer finding aids and search engines. The development of web sites with particular historical interests opens up the work of historians to an ever increasing market. The rapid development of the electronic book raises questions about the future of the printed word as we know it. While many of these developments are to be welcomed the speed at which these changes are coming makes it difficult to keep up with them.

In this newsletter we have listed some of the web sites which provide access to aspects of New Zealand religious history in both its primary and its secondary forms. The need, however, for discrimination and care to be taken in the use of material available on the internet is a new skill which teachers need to acquire and students need to learn. The standard criteria of academic work, verifying the authenticity and respectability of the sources used and the way in which the material is presented, have to be kept in mind.

For historical research electronic access holds out the promise of researchers being able to do a great deal more of their work from their terminals. While there have been rapid developments in this area there is a huge potential yet to be exploited.

There are worries and anxieties for historians about how archives will be preserved and made available for future generations. The use of a convenient method of communication such as e-mail requires protocols about printing out and storing hard copies. There is a need to be pro-active in order to prescribe in advance what should be saved and how it should be retained rather than depend, as we have largely in the past, for people to hand over their archives when they are no longer current. Already some of the ways in which we can read or retrieve electronic records are redundant and the required technology is no longer available.

Historians had to adjust to the use of the telephone in the place of the letter. The adjustments historians face with the exponential e-developments in practising their craft call for vigilance.
New Zealand topics

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Part A consists of nine Australian essays by Hilary Carey, William Emilsen, Denham Grierson, David Hilliard, Christiaan Mostert, Lawrence Neamer, Stuart Piggott, Roger Thompson and John Tonkin.

Part B consists of nine New Zealand contributions:

Allan Davidson, “New Zealand history and religious myopia”
Graeme Ferguson, “Chunuk Bair & the search for identity”
Colin Gibson, “Mapping the New Zealand landscape: a survey of the hymnic tradition”
Peter Matheson, “The contours of Christian theology in Aotearoa New Zealand”
Ruth Page, “Culture and gospel”
Clive Pearson, “Christ and context down under: mapping trans-Tasman christologies”
John Roxborough, “Mapping the evangelical landscape in New Zealand”
Jane Simpson, “Honouring religious diversity in New Zealand education after the Treaty of Waitangi, 1840-1877”


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**Other Publications of Interest**

Anon. *A time to cherish: Cashel and Rosegreen parish history*, Cashel: Ireland, [1977?]. (Touches on the post Auckland career of Bishop Croke.)


*Music in the Air: Song and Spirituality Aotearoa/Australia/Pacific.* Ten issues of this journal have now been published and although not strictly ‘religious history’ it has articles on the development of hymnody in New Zealand with articles for example about/or by Colin Gibson, Shirley Murray and Jocelyn Marshall. Annual subscription for two issues NZ$24 – Songpoetry, 15 Oriana Place, Palmerston North.
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Tuato'o, D. “‘Te Tahi o Pipiri’: literacy and missionary pedagogy as mechanism in change: the reactions of three rangatira from the Bay of Islands, 1814-1834”, MA, Otago.

THESES IN PROGRESS

*Broadley, S. Spiritualism in nineteenth-century Otago, PhD, Otago.
*Budd, R. The social theory of the Rev. Rutherford Waddell, MA, Otago.
Carlyon, J. The Friendly Societies in New Zealand 1900-1990, PhD, Auckland.
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*Reid, Michael. The impact of the Charismatic movement on Christchurch city and suburbs, 1960-1990, PhD, Canterbury PhD.


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(*from the New Zealand Journal of History, October 1999. Note: some of these might have been completed since this list was compiled.)

**CURRENT RESEARCH AND WORK IN PROGRESS**

Michael Blain has been working on the Canterbury Association: its members and their connections. Michael’s biographical directory of the Association is being published later this year by the diocese of Christchurch (about 130pp in A4). He has also been commissioned by the lesser chapter and the vestry of the Wellington Cathedral of St Paul to write the history of the cathedral.

Colin Brown is in the final stages of producing his history of the Christchurch Anglican Cathedral. It will be published as *Vision and reality: a history of the Cathedral in the Square, Christchurch, New Zealand*. Projected publication date is 16 December 2000. It will be available (exclusively Colin thinks) from the Visitors’ Centre shop, Christ Church Cathedral, PO Box 844, Christchurch, fax: 03-366-8452. The scope covered is from the first dreams of the Canterbury Association to the recent decision to build a columbarium.

Janet Crawford is continuing research on women in the Melanesian Mission and is also writing on Sarah Selwyn.

Allan Davidson during his leave in the second half of 1999 undertook research on Robert Codrington who worked for the Melanesian Mission. He is also researching the history of St Luke’s Presbyterian Church in Auckland and the role of Bishop H.W.C. Harper as Primate of the Anglican Church in New Zealand.

Turi Hollis is currently working on his doctorate on the topic “Aotearoa: continuing colonisation by western theology: Maori participation in the development of contextual theology in Aotearoa”. The topic has two main facets: historical and theological. Its historical approach requires an understanding of the history of western theology in Aotearoa, its root sources, its dissemination and how it was maintained and reinforced and its impact on Maori and their belief systems and life. It will examine the historical development of contextual theology in Aotearoa and how much involvement Maori have had in this development. The theological facet will require an understanding of contextual theology.
and in particular its role within Maori culture. Turi would welcome communication with any interested in this topic who might have some constructive suggestions.

**Earle Howe** has begun researching the lives of George and Margaret Kissling. His paper “Caught in the crossfire: a revisionist approach to Philo-Maori, 1850-1870 – a fresh examination of aspects of New Zealand History” will be published in the Occasional Papers of the Anglican Historical Society.

**Brett Knowles** is currently researching the evolution of New Zealand Pentecostal spirituality and theology as exemplified in its songwriting and music styles. He hopes to present a paper on this at a conference in Tulsa, Oklahoma next year.

**Raeburn Lange** is absorbed in the research project contracted to him by the Treaty of Waitangi Research Unit at Victoria University on the social impact of land loss and colonisation on the iwi of Rangitikei-Manawatu-Horowhenua. He is also keen to advance his work on the history of indigenous Christian ministry and priesthood in the Pacific Islands towards publication.

**Peter Lineham** reports that he is currently working on Calvinist Methodists in eighteenth century England, completing a history of the Bible College of New Zealand, and working on a paper on missionary motivations in the New Zealand Church and a paper on religious motivations in the WCTU.

**Doug Pratt** reports that:

a) University Press of America is to publish my "Relational Deity: Hartshorne and Macquarie on God". All but finished.

b) Orbis Books are considering my "The Challenge of Islam: Encounter and Engagement" which is at the revision stage.

c) A project examining various aspects of "Ecumenical Interreligious Dialogue" is underway and has resulted in several published papers together with a month of research in Vatican libraries in Rome late last year.

**John Roxborogh** is “revisiting the missionary nature of the Church”.

**Jane Simpson** has completed a commissioned article on “Melancholia and depression: the creative edge” for Social Alternatives. She is working on a number of biographical essays for a study of “Moods, madness and creativity in New Zealand”. The work of some well-known unconventional figures will be shown to have mystical dimensions. Jane’s poetry has been published in a number of Australian journals and in Poetry NZ.

**Ross Somerville** Assistant Editor of the Dictionary of New Zealand Biography reports that the Dictionary will continue with a staff of 3 (General Editor, an assistant editor and a researcher) working to build a 6th volume over 5 or 6 years, as well as himself (as another assistant editor, responsible for putting the whole lot online in a couple of years), all as part of Historical Branch (by whatever name) in the newly expanded Ministry for Culture and Heritage.

**Martin Sutherland** is currently preparing a history of Carey Baptist College for publication in 2002. He is also transcribing for publication the missionary journals of Emma Beckingsale, a key New Zealand Baptist Missionary in Bengal from 1895-1935. Martin delivered a paper, “Seeking a turangawaewae – constructing a Baptist identity in New Zealand” to the 2nd International Conference on Baptist Studies at Wake Forest University, North Carolina in July. The theme of the conference was “Baptists in the twentieth century: a retrospective”.

**Margaret Tennant** is doing research into the historical relationship between voluntary sector welfare and the state. She is particularly interested in church activities, and is taking the Methodist City Mission work as one of her case studies.
The Catholic Diocese of Hamilton is sponsoring the writing of a history of Catholics in the region to be published in 2005 when the diocese’s 25th anniversary will be observed. “Cynthia Piper and Dominic O’Sullivan will edit the book and co-ordinate the research and writing.” NZ Catholic, 16 July 2000.

The College House Institute of Theology in Christchurch has its own web site on which is posted periodically an annotated list of new library accessions. http://www.chit.ac.nz

The Communities of Women Conference, held in Dunedin 30 June – 2 July as part of the School of Liberal Arts Conference series, included a number of papers with a religious/historical interest. Ann Gilroy looked at an aspect of The Community of St Joseph in Temuka in the 1880s; Margaret McClure presented a paper on The Order of the Good Shepherd and Jessie Munro on the Rule of the Sisters of Compassion. Margaret Tennant examined the Onehunga Ladies’ Benevolent Society in her paper, “Women’s peculiar mission: ladies benevolence in the New Zealand Setting”.

The Dictionary of New Zealand Biography volume 5, 1940-1960 will be launched in early November. Ross Somerville reports that

It includes those who “first made their mark” in the years 1940 to 1960, and so there are a fair number of soldiers and the like. However it also includes the 1950s, of course, and the names of prime ministers Sidney Holland, Keith Holyoake, Norman Kirk and Jack Marshall are I think evocative of some of the flavour of the period. We've also included a list of all subjects of biographies in all five volumes: a total of 3,049 individuals. Finishing touches are at present being put to Nga Tangata Taumata Rau 1940-1960, to be launched at the same time.

The following entries listed in the categories index under ‘Religion’ will appear in volume 5.

Anglican: Broughton, Rangiahuta Alan Herewini Ruka; Elliott, Keith; Huata, Wiremu Te Tau; Ihaka, Kingi Matutaera; Koreneff, Sidney; Norris, Hensleigh Carthew Marryat; Pyatt, William Allan; Ritchie, James McLaren; Sullivan, Martin Gloster; Taylor, Henry Gordon; Warren, Alwyn Keith; Warren, Doreen Eda.

Baptist: North, Lawrence Alfred.

Catholic: Callan, John Bartholomew; Delargey, Reginald John; Douglas, Francis Vernon; Kavanagh, John Patrick; McKeefry, Pater Thomas Bertram; Te Awhitu, Wiremu Hakopa Toa; Twomey, Patrick Joseph.

Jewish: Astor, Alexander.

Latter-day Saints: Couch, Manuera Benjamin Riwi; Solomon, Harata Ria Te Uira.

Methodist: Burton, Ormond Edward; Holdaway, Hubert Reginald; Neale, Leslie Bourneman; Sayers, Edward George; Winiata, Maharaia.

Missionary: Hall, Kathleen Anne Baird; Welch, Elwyn Owen Arnold.

Presbyterian: Allan, John Aitken; Hay, James Lawrence; Nordmeyer, Arnold Henry; Potatau, Hemi; Rex, Helmut Herbert Hermann; Ryburn, Hubert James.

Quaker: Campbell, Mary Greig.

Ratana: Hura, Maata Te Reo; Paikea, Tapihana Paraire; Ratana, Iriaka Matiu.

Ringatu: Delamere, Monita Eru; Waaka, Te Kari.

Salvation Army: Cook, Alfred Bramwell; Searle, Jane Holden; Smyth, Annie.

Spiritualist: Anderton, William Theophilus.

Tohunga: Te Kurapa, Hikawera.

The Macmillan Brown Library at the University of Canterbury recently received a donation of 280 books from Ian Breward’s library. They consist of little known and important religious and mission history books and pamphlets which will add to the library’s growing research collection in Pacific Islands mission history. A special bookplate will identify the works donated.
The Oral History Centre noted among its 1999 acquisitions: twelve interviews by Julian McCarthy of Second World War conscientious objectors and their families; seventeen interviews with ministers and members of First Church of Otago as part of their 150th anniversary oral history.

The Religious History Society was launched at the Australian Historical Society Conference in July 1998. Their web home is http://www.newcastle.edu.au/department/hi/rhs/index.html Members who subscribe to the Journal of Religious History receive the journal at a discounted price along with the Society’s newsletter. The Society’s second Biennial Meeting and Conference was held in July 2000 on the theme of “Religious and National Identity”.

DENOMINATIONAL HISTORICAL SOCIETIES AND ARCHIVES

Anglican Archives – St John’s College, Auckland. Among the deposits received recently have been the papers of the Anglican Men’s Society in New Zealand. This collection gives a fairly comprehensive history of the activities of the Society since its founding in New Zealand in 1904.

The Anglican Auckland Diocesan Archives are to be relocated to a new repository at Holy Trinity Cathedral. This is an exciting development which will provide this very valuable collection of church archives with much more space for storage under excellent conditions and improve the facilities available for staff and researchers.

The Anglican Historical Society (Membership is $10 a year. Enquiries to the Rev. Earle Howe, Anglican Historical Society, PO Box 102, Manurewa, 1730)

A number of visits to churches in Auckland with speakers were arranged throughout the last year and a public lecture was given by Charlie Hughes in June on “Bishop Selwyn: guilty or not guilty? Rangiaowhia reconsidered”. In its newsletter the Society has published articles on:

- the possibility of Edmund Hobhouse, first bishop of Nelson having been instead the first bishop of Christchurch, by Shirley Tunnicliff (14, September 1999).
- a talk by Margaret Baker on Mary Atkin (15, December 1999).
- a review article by Janet Crawford on The Church Mission Society and World Christianity, 1799-1999 - see under Davidson above for full details (16, May 2000).

The Methodist Archives in Christchurch report that they have commenced the computer listing of their archival holdings and have been sorting out their photograph collection. A great deal of parish material has been received over the last year. Accessions include the hospital and prison chaplaincy papers of the Rev. Don Prince and the research papers compiled by Colin Brown for Moses Ayrton and Rugby Pratt.

New Zealand Baptist Historical Society (membership is $15pa – PO Box 12149, Auckland)

The New Zealand Journal of Baptist Research, 4, October 1999 included the following:

Martin Sutherland, “Cohesion and conflict in 1880s Cambridge”, pp.3-21.
Angus MacLeod, “The rise and fall of the Baptist Bible Class Movement”, pp.41-55.
Derek Christensen, “Trends and tensions in Theological Education”, pp.57-69.

Baptist Research News, April 2000, has an extract from Emma Beckingsale’s 1895 Christmas Calcutta journal, an account of a Baptist Girls’ Bible Class Camp at Hastings in 1921 and a brief article on “The Ministers’ Wives and Lady Missionaries Union”.

The Wesley Historical Society (Membership $20pa to the Rev. P.F. Taylor, 12 Melandra Rd., Whangaparaoa, Auckland)

Journal 1999, published as Proceeding No 69, September 1999 included contributions by Verna Mossong on “Another link with Samuel Ironside”, “Mohi Tawhai”, “John Whiteley”, “Other Methodist Historical Societies – Canada and Britain”; D. Burt on “West Franklin looks both ways”; D. Burt and Dave Roberts on “William Morely goes south”.

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Proceeding No 70, June 2000, included Susan Thompson’s article on Trinity Methodist Theological College (see full details above), John A. Penman, “Some musings on my personal spiritual journey” and Selwyn Dawson, “Ministering the gospel in a time of change”.

**CONFERENCES**

**Aotearoa New Zealand Association for Mission Studies** 29-29 November, 2000, Bible College of New Zealand, 221 Lincoln Road, Henderson. See the ANZAMS website http://www.missionstudies.org/anzams for the conference programme and enrolment details.

**The Australian and New Zealand Association of Theological Schools and The Australian and New Zealand Society for Theological Studies** annual conference “Looking beyond liberalism: Christianity and civil society”, Melbourne, 2-4 July, 2001. This will be followed by a second conference organised by the Centre for Public Policy and the Centre for Philosophy and Public Issues of the University of Melbourne, MCD, ANZATS and ANZSTS on “The spirit of Australia: religion in citizenship and national life” 5-6 July, 2001. For further information e-mail: admin@mcd.edu.au

**A Millennium of Christianity, 1000-2000** – A Conference to be held at the University of Melbourne, 6-7 October 2000.

**National Trajectories: the Nation and its Histories** – an interdisciplinary conference exploring the pasts and future of the nation, with an emphasis on the Asia-Pacific region – University of Sydney 10 November 2000.

**New Zealand Association for the Study of Religions** – Biennial Conference 4-7 December 2000 at Tahuna Beach Holiday Park, Nelson. The Conference focus is “Academic Research on Religion”. Registration enquiries: B.E.Colless@massey.ac.nz – programme and papers:

**New Zealand History Association** Conference will be held in Christchurch from Saturday 1 December to Tuesday 4 December 2001.

**WEB SITES**

**Archives**
New Zealand Presbyterian Archives: http://pcanz.freyellow.com/page18.htm

**Bibliography**
P.J. Lineham *Religious History of New Zealand: A Bibliography*, is available on a web page via: http://www.massey.ac.nz/~wwhpp/Research.htm

**New Zealand History**
The Dictionary of New Zealand Biography
New Zealand history – launched by the Heritage Group
Included on the History Net are:
A selection of biographies from *The Dictionary of New Zealand Biography*:
http://www.nzhistory.net.nz/dnzb/biogfram.htm
A selection of Maori biographies from *DNZB*:
http://www.nzhistory.net.nz/Maori/Mbfram.html
The Gallery of New Zealand History includes:
http://www.nzhistory.net.nz/GalleryFrameset.html

ANZAC Day 2000
Waitangi Day: A History
The Suffragists
The National War Memorial

Manuscripts and archives at the University of Auckland Library’s New Zealand and Pacific Collection: http://webserver.lbr.auckland.ac.nz/dbtw-wpd/mss/learn/mss_basic_learn.htm.
The Waitangi Tribunal Database: http://www.knowledge-basket.co.nz/waitangi/

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