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Folio 529	No.62 Wellington 15 Jul 1841 Surveyor accounts – covering letter mentions addition of Messrs Thomas, Mewburne, Connell & Nankevillez; Roads – Mr Donald MacDonald replaces Mr Dodrey resigned; Brig <i>Speculator</i> arrived from New Plymouth with pigs and potatoes.
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Folio 543	No.67 Wellington 11 Sep 1841 Ships <i>Tyne, Arrow, Regina, Will Watch</i> ; Arrival of Governor Hobson... native reserves
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Folio 556	No.69 Wellington 13 Sep 1841 – Mr Faddy, who was left in possession at the Chatham Islands by Mr Hanson has returned; mention of Riddiford and Dieffenbach
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Folio 570	No.73 Wellington 05 Nov 1841 [1] Ship <i>Arab</i> ; [2] Ship <i>Oriental</i> ; [3] Ship <i>Gertrude</i> ; [4] Acknowledging receipt of despatches; [5] Land Commissioner choice of land by negotiation with Governor; [6] Steam communication between settlements; [7] William Hughes, Assistant Surveyor of 2 nd Colony; [8] Ship <i>Amelia Thompson</i> ; [9] Captain Liardet on New Plymouth [10] I have already informed you that notwithstanding Governor Hobson's private assurance to me that no objection would be made to my inducing the natives to quit their paha and cultivated grounds for the reserved lands, Mr Clarke the Missionary Protector has written in the Governor's name to the natives, telling that they were to remain on the land hitherto occupied by them. This step has, of course, frustrated my efforts to remove them to the places destined by the Company for them and is likely to produce great mischief and litigation. In many places since the selection of sections by the purchasers from the Company, the natives have enclosed land with the purpose of retaining it according to Mr Clarke's recommendation. Consequently the owners are debarred from entering on possession. Captain Hobson's instructions under the sign manual permit him to make a grant of any waste land to individuals or bodies corporate with this exception – "Provided that nothing in the said Charter contained shall affect or be construed to affect the rights of any aboriginal natives of the said Colony to the actual occupation or enjoyment in their own persons or in the persons of their Descendants of any lands in the said Colony then actually occupied or enjoyed by such natives." Should the Governor be disposed to act strictly on this clause (and I know how imperative such instructions are considered) he can throw the utmost confusion into the Company's titles and sales by refusing to grant the land occupied by the natives at the date of the grant – although such land was not occupied or intended to be so until Mr Clarke's mischievous exhortations. I call your attention to the subject again in order that the Court may, in the event of the continuance in office of a Governor so hostile as the present one to the Company's interests, take steps with the Home Government to counteract the designs of the Missionary Protector.

[11] Re litigation - Captain Pearson; Major Baker; Messrs Willis, Sandeman & Co. of Sydney; [12] Bills; [13] Wages &c... "The Valley of the Hutt promises to be quickly cleared and has already a population of many hundreds employed in growing produce for the Town and Shipping."

Folio 584	Enclosure 1: New Plymouth 13 Oct 1841 Report by F. Liardet
Folio 586	Enclosure 2: New Plymouth 15 Oct 1851 Fred. Carrington to Liardet
Folio 590	Enclosure 3: Wellington 27 Oct 1841 Wakefield to Liardet
Folio 592	Enclosure 4: Terms of Engagement by NZ Company's Officers at New Plymouth
Folio 594	Enclosure 5: Port Nicholson 10 Sep 1841 Copy translation Friend Wairarapa, You wanted a letter from the Governor to say that no one was to turn you out of your pah, nor the White men to send you away from your place. You have heard what the Governor has said, that if you left your pahs you would give over praying therefore do not tell the English people that you will give them up. This letter is from the Governor. [signed] Clarke, Guardian of the Natives.
Folio 595	No.74 Wellington 05 Nov 1841 Accounts
Folio 597	Enclosure 1: Statement of all Bills drawn by Principal Agent since 16 Oct 1841 Mentions: Greenwood, Andrew J. Bruce, A. Hort
Folio 598	Enclosure 2: Statement of all Bills indorsed by Principal Agent since 16 Oct 1841
Folio 599	Enclosure 3: Wellington 11 Oct 1841 Report of W. M. Smith re Wanganui Trip
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Folio 610	NZ Co Register of Transfers of land in NZ #s 125-147 Jul-Sep 1841
Folio 611	No.75 Wellington 10 Nov 1841 Correspondence between proprietors and lessees of land on the banks of the Hutt and Colonel Wakefield.
Folio 613	Enclosure: Wellington 26 Oct 1841 Memorial signed by F. A. Molesworth, William Swainson, George Samuel Evans, George Hunter, T. M. Partridge, J. W. Child, George White, R. Barton, Robert Stokes, Henry St. Hill, H. Moreing, J. T. Wickstead.
Folio 620	NZ Company Register of Transfers of Land in NZ #s 125-147 Jul-Sep 1841
Folio 623	Corrections in the Numerical Indexes to the choices dated as at 01 Mar 1841 Register of Preliminary lands chosen – Hutt River Nos 66-68 & 70-74
Folio 629	Land Office Wellington 22 Nov 1841 re land selected 18 Nov 1841
Folio 631	Register of Country Land Orders presented 12 Oct 1841 Orders of choice #s 251-257
Folio 633	Register of Country Lands chosen (Wanganui) Orders of choice #s 1-21, 28-39, 48, 50-77, 81, 138-140, 144, 158, 166-172, 189, 209
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Folio 644	NZ Company Register of Transfers of Land in NZ #s 116-124 Jun-Jul 1841
Folio 646	Extract from General Register of Transfer of Land #s 148-153 Oct 1841
Folio 647	Wellington 26 Nov 1841 David Lewis to Secretary of NZ Company re Bills

Folio 649	No.63 Wellington 07 Aug 1841 Accounts for quarter ending 30 Jun 1841
Folio 651	Enclosure: Statement of payments – Sundries: Mr Bryce, contractor for enlarging Surveyor's Office; Mrs Parkes for conveyance of herself and family to Wanganui; Charles White, emigrant per <i>Lord William Bentinck</i> ; Captain Whyte for caboose

Folio 655	No.64 Wellington 07 Aug 1841 Ship <i>Amelia Thompson</i>
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Folio 656	No.65 Wellington 07 Aug 1841 Correspondence with William Swainson
Folio 659	Enclosure: High Cliff, Wellington 24 Jul 1841 Swainson to Wakefield – Mentions: Margaret Donaldson, maid servant; John Shoredich, boy above 16yrs; Peggy Clark, girl between 15 & 16yrs; Emigrants Peter Clark (41yrs) & wife, farm bailiff and three children 5-12 years.

Folio 663	No.66 Wellington 07 Aug 1841 Return of <i>Balley</i> from Bank's Peninsula
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Folio 665	Enclosure: Report on Port Cooper, Bank's Peninsula & "Looker's On" (Kai-kora) 04 Aug 1841. Mentions Mr Tyrrell and the French whaler <i>Comte de Paris</i>
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Folio 673	No.70 Wellington 12 Oct 1841 Ship <i>Whitby</i> ; Governor Hobson & 2 nd Colony ... Since the departure of Captain Hobson we have experienced considerable annoyance from the natives, who from being perfectly satisfied and quiet have become restless and discontented with the lands allotted to them. They have been advised by Mr Clarke, the Missionary Protector of Natives, to withstand the occupation of the land by the White population. They have in consequence commenced to fence in their old potato grounds in preference to cultivating the reserves made, which however are equally retained, for them. Hr Halswell has been joined in a Committee with Mr Murphy and Mr Hanson for the purpose of letting some of the native reserves, many of which are exceedingly valuable – but is restricted by his instructions from Captain Hobson to granting leases for seven years. No one will hire them for the object of building substantial dwellings on them for so short a term, the fund, therefore, derived for native benefit will be very small. The pahs, which the natives had agreed to vacate, have been again settled in and promise an abundant source of difference and inconvenience, as they are situated in some of the best water frontages of the Town and have been allotted to purchasers and public purposes... ... 23 Sep 1841 distribution of land at Wanganui to purchases; reports from New Plymouth and Port Cooper; reduction of wages for men working for the company on the road between Wellington and the Hutt; arrival of the ship <i>Arab</i> 16 Oct 1841.
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Folio 681	Wellington 07 Dec 1841 J. T. Wicksteed to Wakefield
Folio 683	Wellington 06 Dec 1841 David Lewis to Secretary of NZ Company
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Folio 686	No.77 Wellington 20 Nov 1841 Ships <i>Oriental & Regina</i>
Folio 689	Enclosure: New Plymouth 08 Nov 1841 George Cutfield to Liardet

Folio 691	Wellington 01 Dec 1841 J. T. Wicksteed – Colonel Wakefield left for Manawatu on 29 November on an exploring expedition.
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