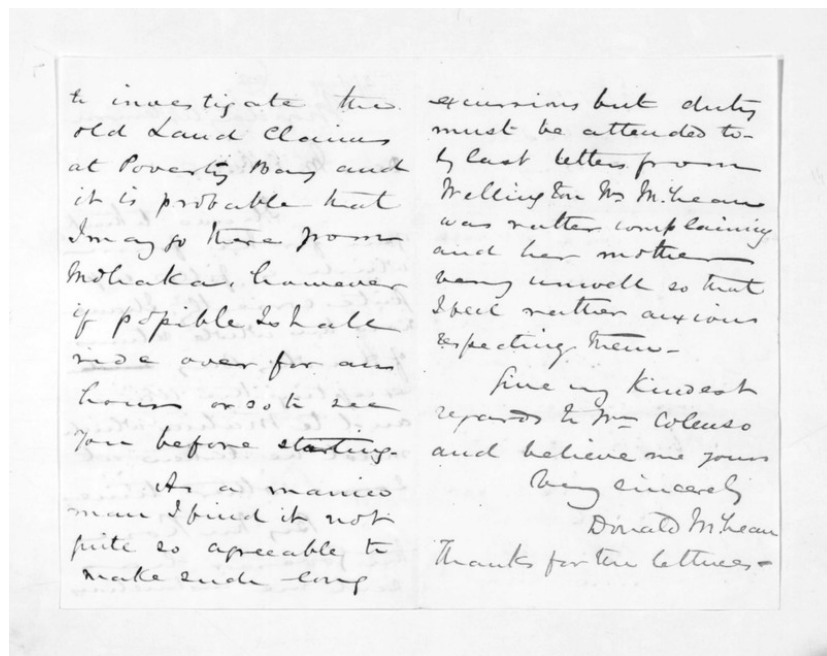


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Monday Afternoon
Dear Mr. Colenso.
I have to thank
you for the form
which is filled up
quite correctly. I have
now the whole returns
of Hawke's Bay ~~and~~
excepting the Wairarapa
and the Mairangi which
must be taken at
some other time.
By the Rose
the Governor has
sent me instructions

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to investigate the
old Land Claims
at Poverty Bay and
it is probable that
I may go there from
Mothaka, however
if possible I shall
ride over for an
hour or so to see
you before starting.
As a married
man I find it not
quite so agreeable to
make such long
excursions but duties
must be attended to.
By last letter from
Wellington Mr McLean
was rather complaining
and his mother
being unwell so that
I feel rather anxious
expecting them.
Give my kindest
regards to Mr Colenso
and believe me yours
Very sincerely
Donald McLean
Thanks for the letters.