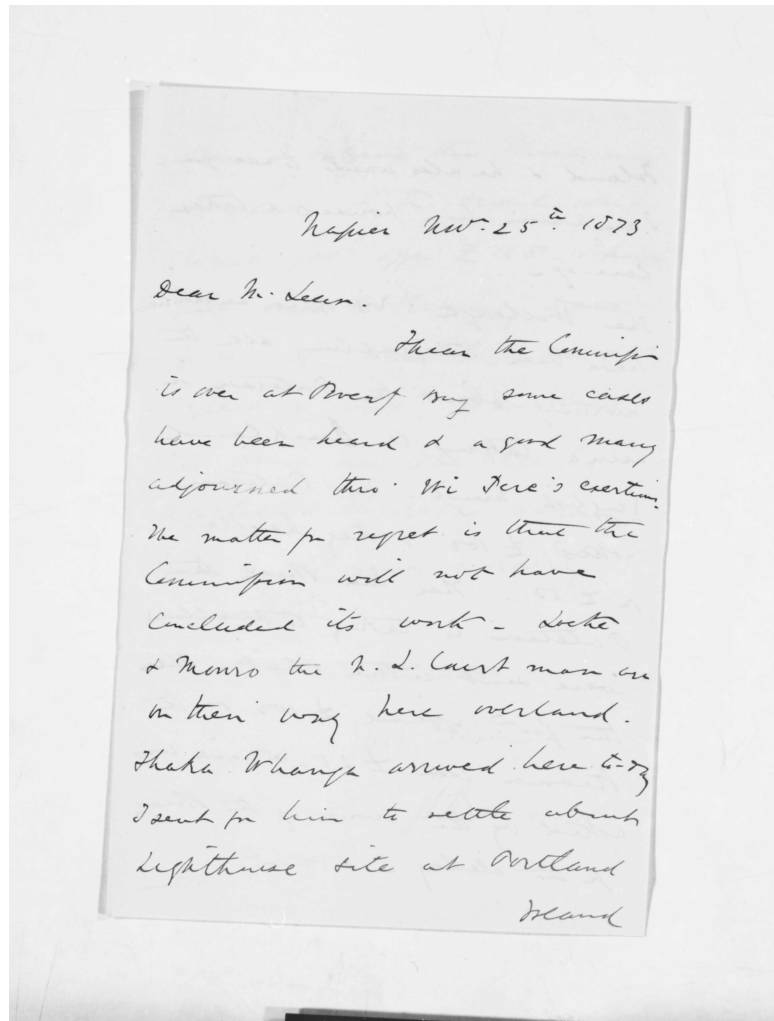


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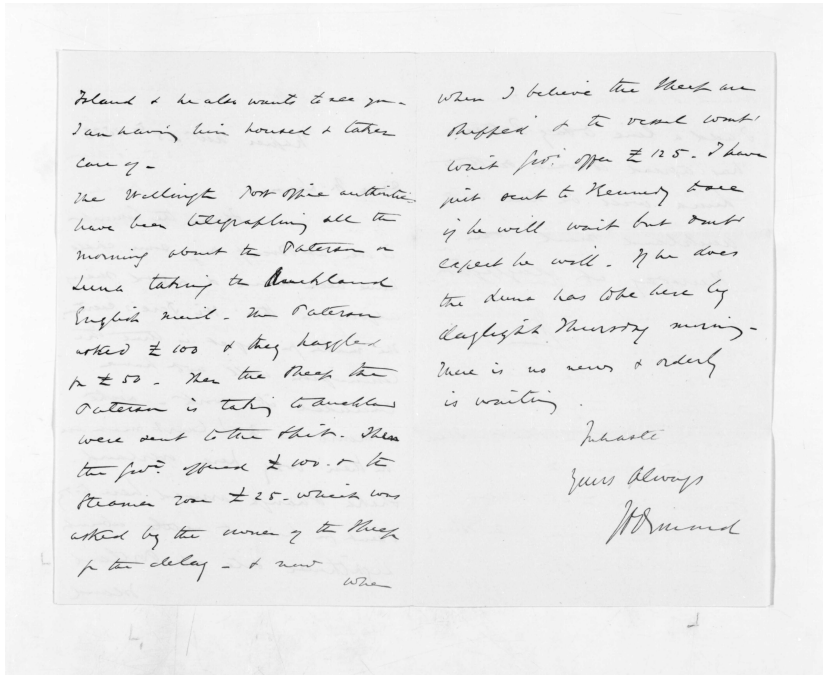


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Dear Mr. Leach.

I hear the Commission
is over at present my some cases
have been heard & a good many
adjourned thro' Mr. Jere's exertions.
The matter for regret is that the
Commission will not have
concluded its work - docket
& Memo the R. L. Court man are
on their way here overland.
Thaka Whanga arrived here to-day
I sent for him to settle about
Lighthouse site at Portland
Island

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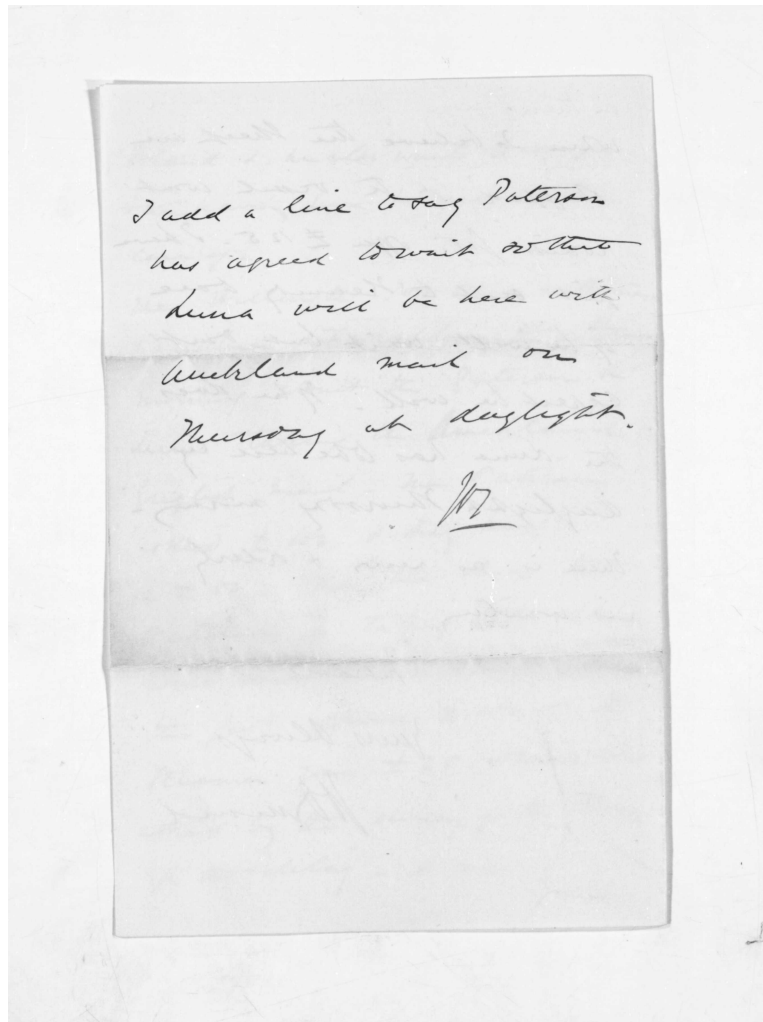


Island & he also wants to see you
 I am having him housed & taken
 care of -
 The Wellington Post Office authorities
 have been telegraphing all the
 morning about the Paterson &
 have taken the Auckland
 English mail - The Paterson
 asked £100 & they have
 £50 - Now the sheep the
 Paterson is taking to Auckland
 were sent to the Port. When
 the first sheep £100 - the
 Paterson was £25 - which was
 asked by the owner of the sheep
 for the delay - & now

When I believe the sheep are
 shipped & the vessel will
 wait for the sheep £125 - I have
 just sent to Kennedy to see
 if he will wait but don't
 expect he will - If he does
 the same has to be done by
 English Ministry sailing -
 There is no news & order
 is waiting.

Adieu
 Yours always
 J. Ormond

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I add a line to say Paterson
has agreed to wait as the
kama will be here with
weekland mail on
Thursday at daylight.

JDO