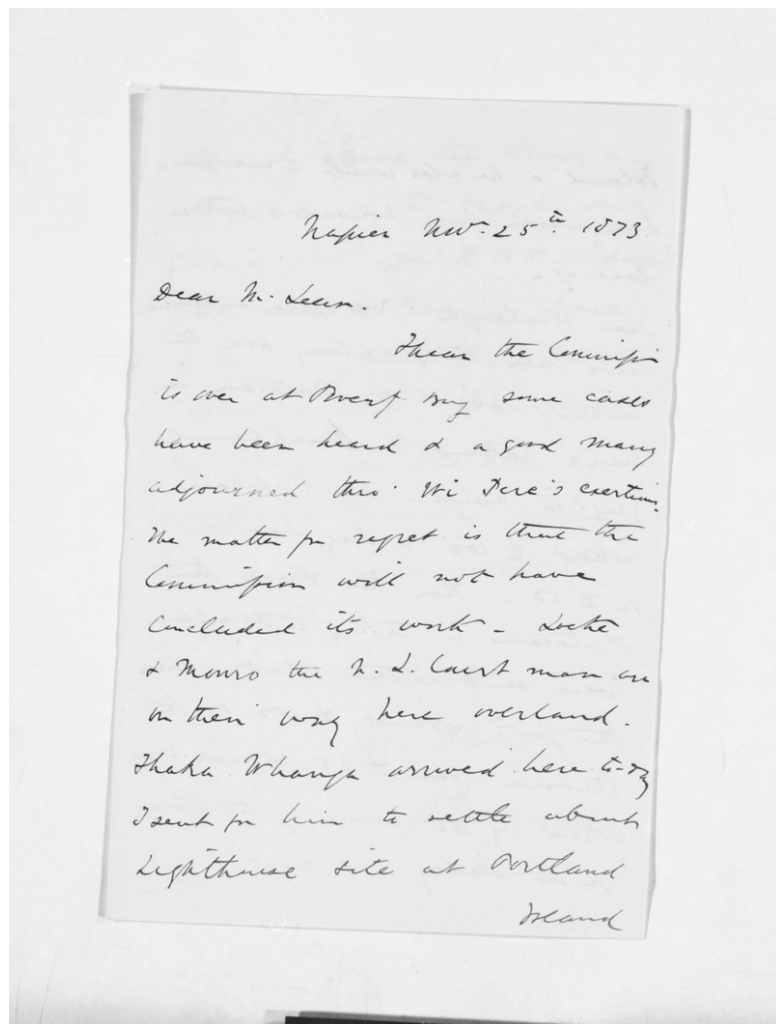


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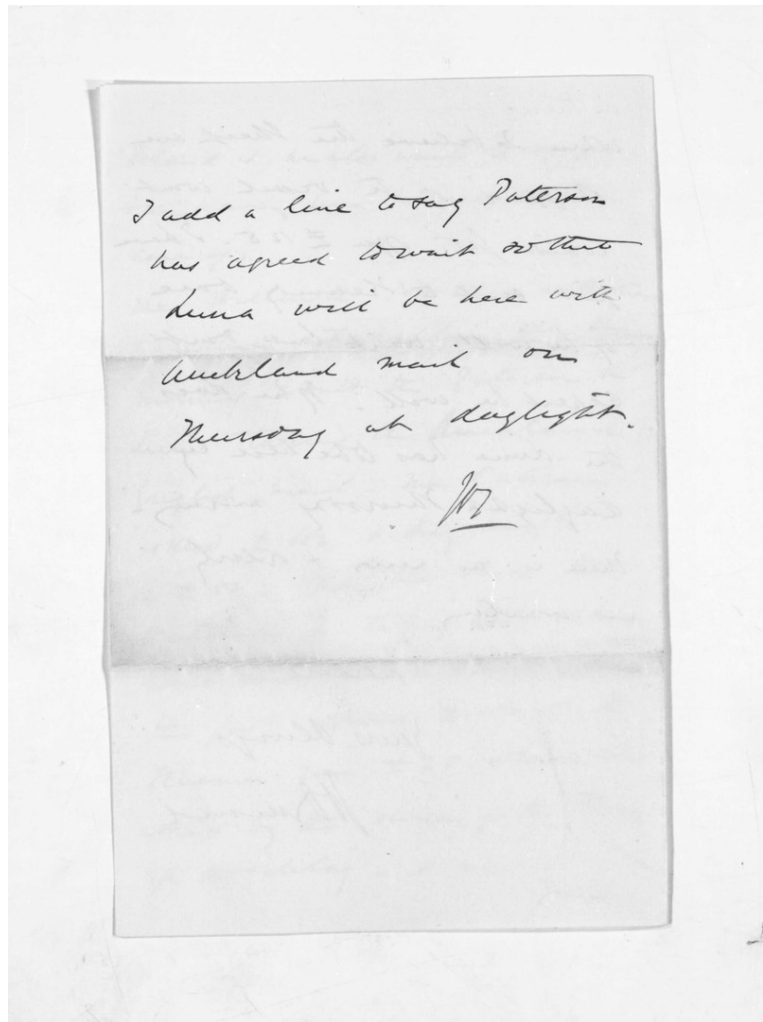
Dear Mr. Leach.

When the Commission is over at Otago 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 - doctrs & Messrs the R. & L. Coast men 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 & later  
 care of -  
 The Wellington Post Office authorities  
 have been telegraphing all the  
 morning about the Paterson &  
 have taking to Auckland  
 English mail - The Paterson  
 asked £100 & they have  
 £50 - Now the sheep the  
 Paterson is taking to Auckland  
 were sent to the Port. Then  
 the post office £100 - the  
 Paterson was £25 - which was  
 asked by the owner of the sheep  
 & the delay - & now  
 when I believe the sheep are  
 shipped & the vessel will  
 wait for the £125 - I have  
 just sent to Kennedy to see  
 if he will wait but don't  
 expect he will - If he does  
 the done has to be here by  
 daylight Monday morning -  
 There is no news & order  
 is waiting.  
 I have  
 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  
Welland mail on  
Thursday at daylight.

JDO