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Report from 29<sup>th</sup> Feb. to 13<sup>th</sup> March 1852.

Feb. 29 Sunday Parade at ten o'clock

Mar. 1 Evidence given before Resident Magistrate by Mr. Wall, Mr. Woon and self, in reference to Mr. Bennett's conduct towards natives in this settlement. adjourned for further evidence until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning -

Posted usual report to you by this days ordinary mail to Wellington -

Kenata, a Huirangi native, came to Banquets and complained of having been assaulted by Joseph Street the younger -

Received a Warrant of Arrest against Jacob Farey, for debt -

Kori, a Taranaki native, gave evidence against Mr. Bennett - judgment defendant to be imprisoned for four days -

On information that Jacob Farey had absconded, sent Private Johnson and Katoha to Waitara with directions to the latter to continue in pursuit -

Johnson returned, in 4<sup>th</sup> Man

Three

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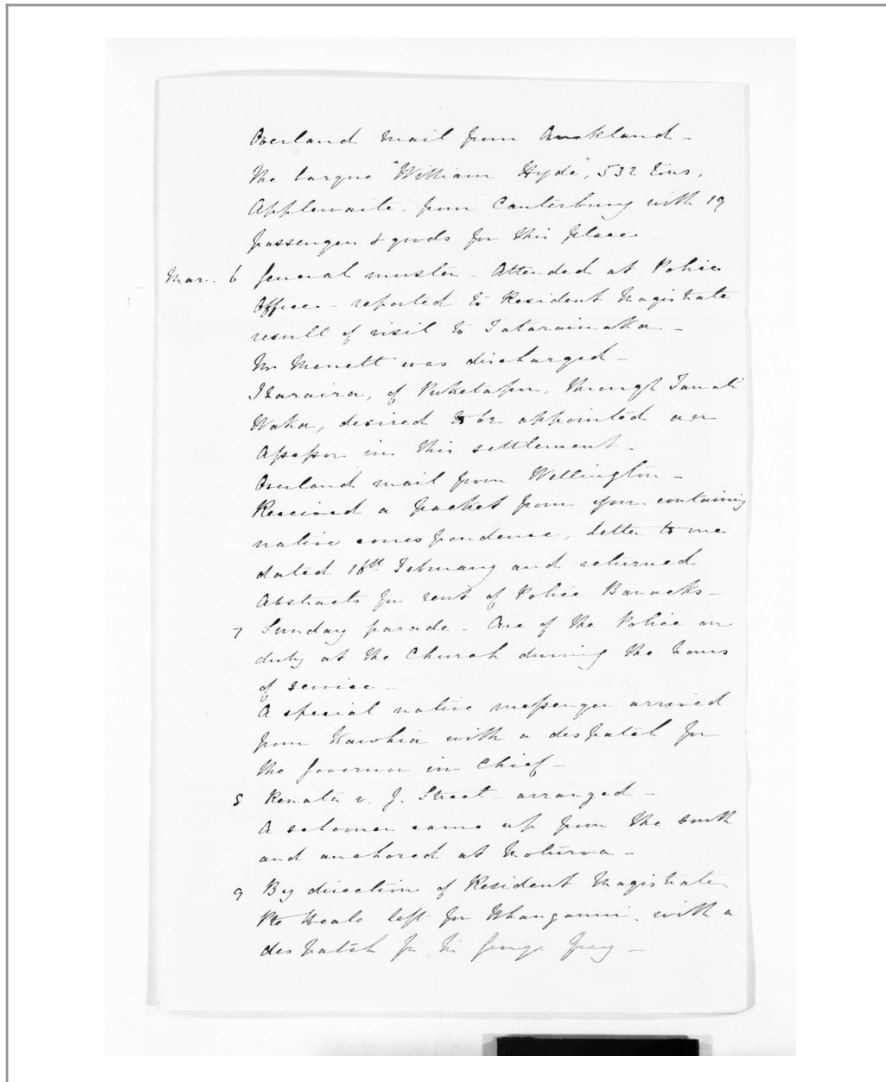
three hours, and reported that three Europeans entered the Waitara river at an early hour this morning.

Mar. 3 By direction of Resident Magistrate I went to Tataraimaka to endeavour to remove some Hauranga natives off land in that block, and left Mr Johnson in charge of the Police during my absence -

4. Court day - cases arranged - Mr Kahapu returned to Town at 11 p.m. with Jacob Percy and gave him over to the custody of the police.

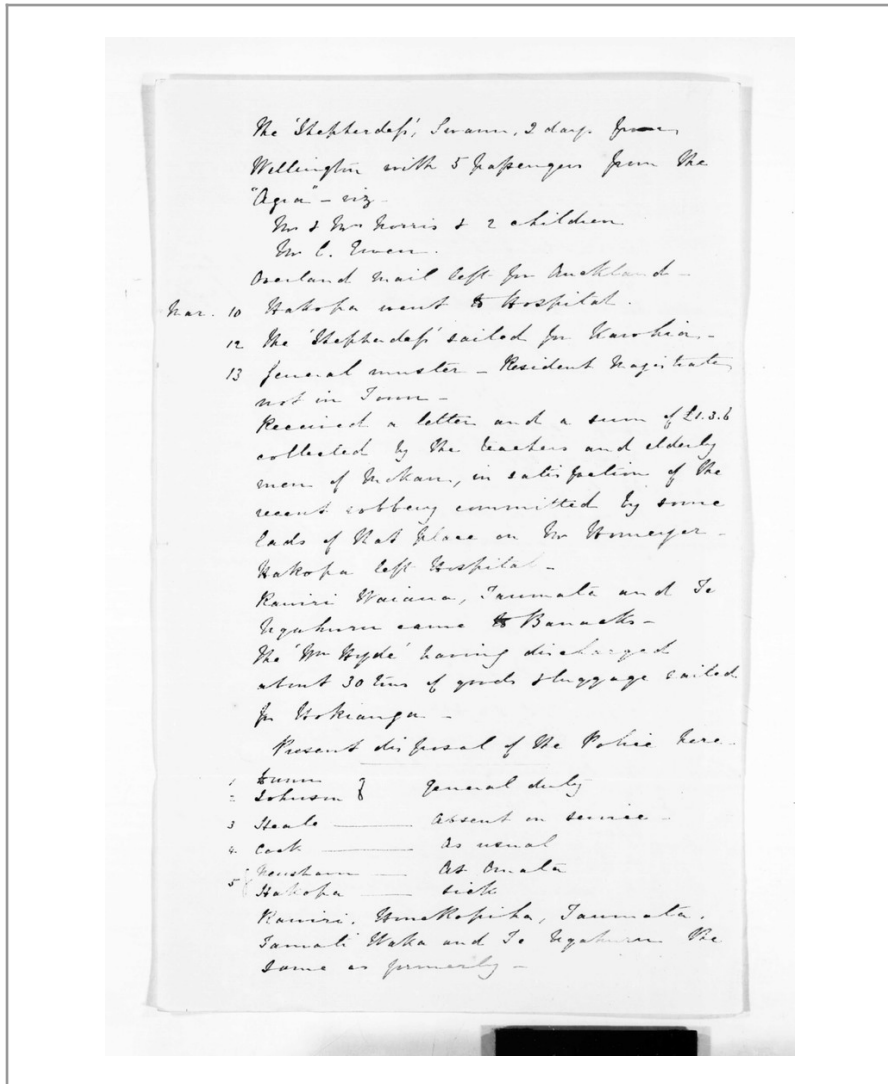
5. The 'Elizabeth', sloop, from Greymouth, passengers J. Landish, J. Brown, Wm Neil, Lily - cargo 23000 ft timber - returned from Tataraimaka - owing to the arrival from the south of Rangitapu and a small party of natives, formerly living at Teatua, on the 3<sup>d</sup> instant, at Takapu; the Regatta was destined going with me to Tatarua, I therefore proceeded with Mr Cunningham, surgeon, and found some gardens but being of recent culture, but destined entering into the outfit in the absence of Mr Regatta -

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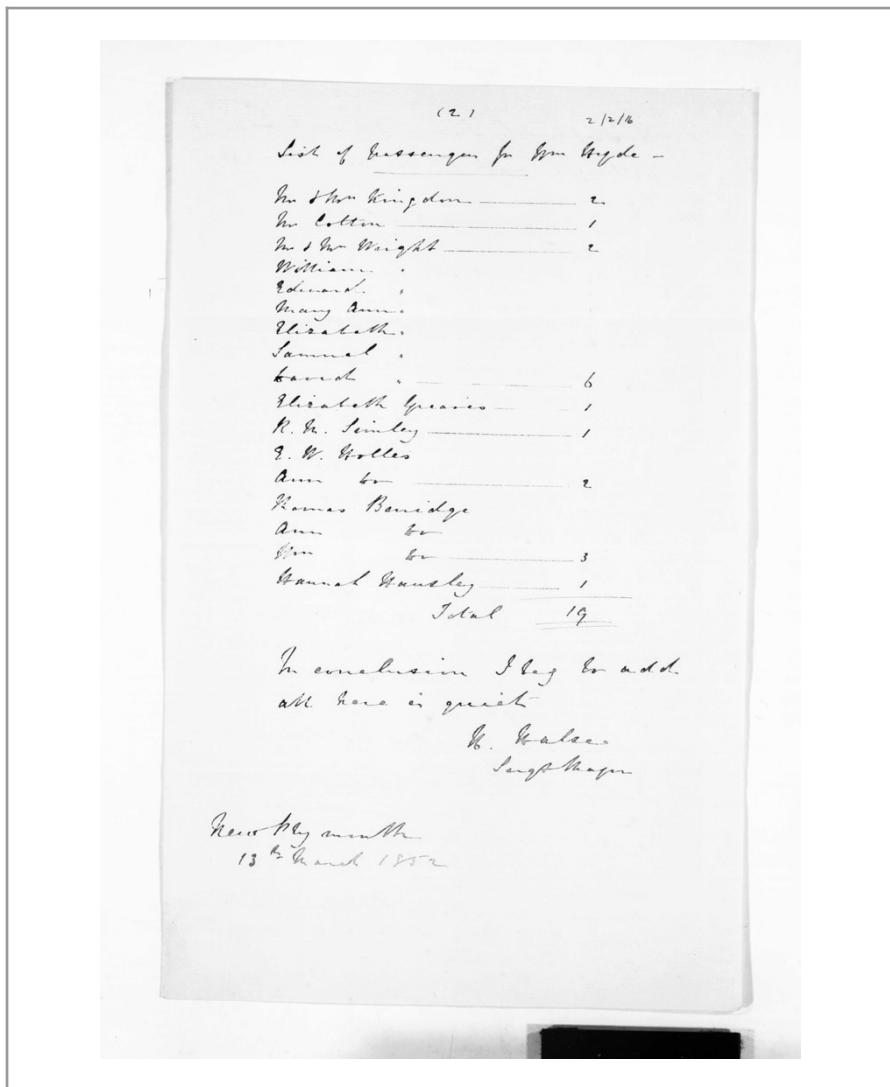


Oakland mail from Auckland -  
The large "William Hyde", 532 Lins.  
Apples, etc. from Canterbury with 19  
passengers & goods for this place -  
Mar. 6 General muster - Attended at Police  
Office - reported to Resident Magistrate  
result of visit to Taranaki -  
Mr. Bennett was discharged -  
Mr. Cairns, of Puketapu, through some  
blunder, desired to be appointed as  
Apoor in this settlement -  
Oakland mail from Wellington -  
Received a packet from you containing  
native cases & documents, letter to me  
dated 18<sup>th</sup> February and returned  
Orders for rent of Police barracks -  
7 Sunday parade - One of the Police on  
duty at the Church during the hours  
of service -  
A special native messenger arrived  
from Hokianga with a despatch for  
the Governor in Chief -  
8 Kanaka v. J. Street arranged -  
A collier came up from the bank  
and anchored at Botiaua -  
9 By direction of Resident Magistrate  
the boats left for Whangamou with a  
despatch for Sir George Grey -

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