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NEW ZEALAND & POLYNESIAN RECORDS FROM  
COLONIAL MISSIONARIES, 1838-1958

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## New Zealand and Polynesia...

This collection contains records compiled by the United Society Partners in Gospel (USPG), a UK-based Anglican missionary organisation that operates around the world.

From the 18th to the early-20th century, the USPG went by the name of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts (SPG).



This collection is part of British Online Archives' Spreading the Word series.

Anglican missionaries first arrived in New Zealand and Polynesia in the 17th century, their mission was to spread the gospel to the indigenous Māori and Polynesians. The arrival of Europeans disrupted traditional ways of life.



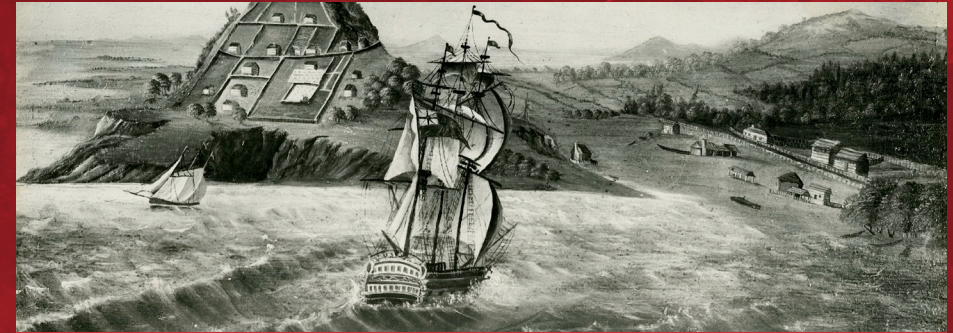
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This collection includes letters, journals and supplementary material composed by the SPG's New Zealand and Polynesian branches during the period 1838-1958.

These documents contain a wealth of information, including: progress of the mission, relations with the indigenous Polynesians, the geography of the land, and insights into how monetary grants were spent.

Sources include: Bodleian Library

## ...through the eyes of Anglican missionaries



This collection includes the correspondence and journals of George Selwyn, the first Anglican Bishop of New Zealand from 1858-1868.



Documents from New Zealand, include descriptions of missionaries' early encounters with the indigenous Māori.



This collection includes a detailed map showing the Colony of New Zealand in 1841, by cartographer John Arrowsmith.

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