Pacific Manuscripts Bureau titles documenting Vanuatu/New Hebrides (Church Records)

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Short titles and some notes only. See PMB on-line database catalogue at http://asiapacific.anu.edu.au/pambu/catalogue/ for information sheets and detailed reel lists of documents microfilmed.

See also Finding Aid on Vanuatu/New Hebrides (Other Records).

PMB Manuscript Series of Microfilms

AU PMB MS 31
Title: Minutes
Date(s): 1857-1938 (Creation) New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission Synod
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: A detailed account of Presbyterian missionary activity in the New Hebrides from 1857 to 1938.

AU PMB MS 32
Title: New Hebrides Journal
Date(s): 23 April 1893 - 31 December 1908 (Creation) Rev. Frederick James Paton
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The Rev. F.J. Paton (1867-1941), son of the noted Presbyterian missionary, the Rev. Dr John G. Paton, was born at Aniwa, New Hebrides. After being educated in Australia and serving there for a short time as a Presbyterian minister, the Rev. F.J. Paton returned to the New Hebrides and spent most of the rest of his life there as a missionary. The journals give a day by day account of Paton’s work as a missionary in the New Hebrides over a period of nearly 18 years.

AU PMB MS 33
Title: New Hebrides Journal
Date(s): 1 January 1903 - 24 March 1905 (Creation) Helen I.M.R. Paton
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Mrs Paton (Nellie 1877-1905) was a daughter of the Rev. H.A. Robertson, of Erromanga, New Hebrides, and the wife of the Rev. Frederick J. Paton, a Presbyterian missionary to the New Hebrides. With occasional gaps, the journals give day by day accounts of Mrs Paton’s life as a Presbyterian missionary's wife at Pangkuma, Malekula. They complement her husband’s journals.

AU PMB MS 35
Title: Journal and other papers
Date(s): 1822-1840 (Creation) Williams John and Bourne Robert
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Rev. John Williams (1796-1839) went to Tahiti as a missionary in 1816 and was active in the Society, Hervey, Southern Cook and Samoan Islands. In 1839, he moved to Fasitouta, Upolu, in Samoa and began a station there. On November 20th of that year, he was killed at Erromanga, New Hebrides. Rev. Robert Bourne (18??-1871) went to the Society Islands as a missionary in 1817. In 1822, he began the
mission at Tahaa. He left Tahiti in 1827 and retired to England in 1829. Contents include a copy of an extract from the minutes of a meeting of the London Missionary Society in Samoa on March 30, 1840, concerning news of the murder of Williams in the New Hebrides and his associate James Harris.

AU PMB MS 42
Title: Records of the Tangoa Training Institution, New Hebrides
Date(s): 1894-1969 (Creation) Tangoa Training Institution - New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The Tangoa Training Institution was established by the Presbyterian mission to the New Hebrides in 1895 as a training centre for indigenous teachers. Tangoa is a small island off the south coast of Espiritu Santo. The papers comprise:


See also PMB MS 1012.

AU PMB MS 43
Title: Records
Date(s): 1857-1968 (Creation) Melanesian Mission, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description:

1. Baptismal Register of St Paul's Church, Lolowai, and from ketch Patteson, 1928-1968, with Register of Burials, St Paul's Church, Lolowai, 1929-1964, and Marriages, 1929-1965.
2. Register of Baptisms, Marriages and Deaths, at Mera Lava, 1917-1963, copied from the original register, 1967.
4. An Account of the Huqe (or Suqe) of Nduindui, Aoba, written c.1930; found among the papers of Archdeacon A.E. Teall, Archdeacon of Southern Melanesia, d.1966.
5. Vocabularies of and stories in various languages of the New Hebrides - Vocabularies of North, Central and South Raga; story in Mota; Vocabularies of Mota, Tegua and Toga; Loh-English Dictionary; Notes on Loh Grammar; Maewo Vocabularies; Stories in the Aoba Language.
6. Family Prayers and Communion for the Sick in the Language of Lakona, Santa Maria, Banks Islands, with English translations.
10. Mota-Maewo Vocabulary.

AU PMB MS 46
Title: Vocabulary, primer and hymn book
Date(s): n.d. (Creation) Duindui Language - New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The Duindui language is spoken in the south-west of Aoba (Ambae) Island. The name is also spelled Nduindui and Ndui Ndui. Contents include:

2. Duindui (Nduindui) Primer, compiled by Churches of Christ Mission, Aoba, New Hebrides. (This is the first work of its kind in the language of Duindui).
AU PMB MS 47
Title: Gospel excerpts
Date(s): n.d. (Creation) Pentecost Island Language - New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description:
1. Excerpts from the Gospel of St Mark in the language of Sa, South Pentecost. (This was the first material to be reproduced in the Sa language).
2. Excerpts from the Gospel of St Mark in the language of Apma, Central Pentecost. (This was the first material to be reproduced in the Apma language).

AU PMB MS 51
Title: Vocabularies, correspondence, prayers
Date(s): n.d. (Creation) Melanesian Mission, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description:
7. Prayers in the languages of the Northern New Hebrides - Mera Lava, Mota, Gaua, Nduindui, Qatnapni.

AU PMB MS 52
Title: Journals, letters, reports, language study
Date(s): 1879-1949 (Creation) Roman Catholic Mission, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description:
4. Extracts from letters by priests at Melsisi mission (1898-1935).
5. An account of a voyage to Tanna in 1934, with an account of the founding of the Roman Catholic Mission on that island, by Father Laurent Durand-Vaugaron, S.M. (1879-1938).
8. Reports on the Eruptions at Ambrym in 1927 by Father Pierre Bochu, S.M. and in 1929 by Father Louis Clenet, S.M.

AU PMB MS 53
Title: Papers
Date(s): 1883-1933 (Creation) Roman Catholic Mission, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description:
1. Journal of the Roman Catholic Mission at Port Sandwich, Malekula, 1889-1899 by Father J.N. Pionnier, S.M.
3. Journal of the Roman Catholic Mission at Wanur, SW Pentecost, 1906-1912 by Father Laurent Durand-Vaugaron, S.M.
5. Account of a voyage from Marseilles to New Caledonia and Journal of Roman Catholic Mission at Malekula, 1883-1891, by Father F.X. Gaudet, S.M.
7. Myths and Legends of the New Hebrides by Father J.B. Suas, S.M.
8. Inventory of the Population at Craig Cove, Ambrym, in February, 1907, by Father Casimir Bancarel, S.M.
9. Account of a visit to Epi in 1933 by Father Edouard Loubiere, S.M. (1876-196?).
11. The Mission at Olal, Ambrym, and Sorcery (Hableou) at North Ambrym by Father J.B. Jamond, S.M., with comments by Father Casimir Bancarel, S.M.

AU PMB MS 56
Title: Letters
Date(s): 1899-1913 (Creation) Roman Catholic Mission, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Note: Most of the letters on this microfilm are addressed to Monsignor Victor Doucere, S.M., Apostolic Vicar of the New Hebrides.
   1. Letters of Father Casimir Bancarel, S.M. from Talomako (Espiritu Santo) 1901-1905 and 1916, and from Craig Cove and Sesivi (Ambrym) 1906-1913.
   3. Letters of Father Francois Le Fur, S.M. from Wanour (Pentecost), 1899-1906.
   4. Letters of Father Ch. Faure, S.M. from Aoba and Mele (Efate), 1901-1903.
   5. Letters of Father Jean Andre Vidil, S.M. from Vao, Malekula, 1894-1897.
   6. Letters of Father Gerome Guitta, S.M. from Wala (Malekula), and Port Olry, 1893-1895.
   7. Letters of Father Theophile Busson from Wala and Vao (Malekula) 1897-1898.

AU PMB MS 57
Title: Letters
Date(s): 1894-1932 (Creation) Roman Catholic Mission, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Note: Most of the letters on this microfilm are addressed to Monsignor Victor Doucere, S.M., Apostolic Vicar of the New Hebrides.
   1. Letters of Father Z. Strock, S.M. from Mele (Efate), Lohpangalo, Sesivi and Olal (Ambrym) and Port Sandwich (Malekula), 1905-1913.
   2. Letters of Father Emile Roux, S.M., from Port Sandwich and Wala (Malekula), Port Olry, Talomako and Segond Channel (Espiritu Santo) and Paray (Efate), 1905-1926.
   4. Letters of Father Henri Perthuy, S.M. from Port Olry, Craig Cove and Sesivi (Ambrym) and Port Sandwich (Malekula), 1894-1908.
   5. Letters of Father Jean-Baptiste Suas, S.M., from Olal (Ambrym), Wanour, Melsisi and Namaram (Pentecost) and Lopoluepue (Aoba) 1894-1932 (Continued on PMB 58)

AU PMB MS 58
Title: Letters
Date(s): 1898-1932 (Creation) Roman Catholic Mission, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Note: Most of the letters on this microfilm are addressed to Monsignor Victor Doucere, S.M., Apostolic Vicar of the New Hebrides.

1. Letters (1924-32) of Father J.B. Suas, S.M. - (continued from PMB 57).
2. Letters of Father Antoine Tayac, S.M., from Vao (Malekula) and Melsisi (Pentecost), 1898-1902.
3. Letters of Father Jean-Baptiste Prin, S.M., from Vao (Malekula), Nagire (Aoba), Namaram and Melsisi (Pentecost), Lolomepue (Aoba) and Santo, 1901-1919.
4. Letters of Father Pierre Chauvel, S.M., from Olal and Fali (Ambrym), Lopagalo and Port Sandwich (Malekula), Sesivi (Ambrym) and Port Olry (Espiritu Santo), 1901-1922.
5. Letters of Father Francois Degoulange, S.M., from Vila, 1903-1914.

AU PMB MS 59
Title: Dictionaries
Date(s): n.d. (Creation) Roman Catholic Mission, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description:

AU PMB MS 60
Title: Dictionaries and vocabularies
Date(s): (Creation) Roman Catholic Mission, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description:
2. Grammaire de Melsisi - Grammar of the language of Melsisi (Pentecost) by Father Joseph Niel, S.M.
3. Dictionary of the language of Melsisi (Pentecost) by X (French-Melsisi).
5. Dictionary of the language of Wala (Malekula) by Father Casimir Salomon, S.M. (French-Wala).

AU PMB MS 61
Title: Correspondence, journal, notes
Date(s): 1897-1926 (Creation) Roman Catholic Mission, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description:
1. Correspondence of Father J.B. Jamond, S.M. 1897-1926, with calendar.
2. Notes on Wala (Malekula), Melsisi (Pentecost) etc. by Father Casimir Salomon, S.M.
4. Letters from Father Casimir Salomon, S.M. to Bishop Doucere from Wala (Malekula), 1905-1907.

AU PMB MS 81
Title: Logbooks
Date(s): 1868-1874 (Creation) Captain Robert G. Rae
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The logbooks cover voyages in the ships Laughing Water (1868), Corypheus (1870-71), Day Spring (1872), Alsager (1872-73) and Ceara (1874). The voyages in the Laughing Water were between Newcastle, Lyttleton (NZ) and Melbourne. Those in the Corypheus between Melbourne and China. On her last voyage the Corypheus ran aground on a reef in the Marshall Islands and the crew sailed 3,000 miles in the ship's boats to Rockhampton. The voyage of the Day Spring was from Melbourne to the New Hebrides and return. The Alsager sailed from Melbourne to Malden Island for a cargo of guano. She foundered off Tongatapu, apparently as a result of sabotage. The Ceara's voyages were from Adelaide to Mauritius and then to various Australian ports.

AU PMB MS 86
Title: Diaries
Date(s): 1 June 1901 - 26 April 1908 (Creation) Rev. T. Watt Leggatt
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The Rev. T. Watt Leggatt served as a Presbyterian missionary on Malekula, New Hebrides, for about a quarter of a century from 1887. See Patrick O'Reilly's Bibliographie des Nouvelles Hebrides (Paris, 1958) for details of his published writings. The diary gives a day-by-day account of Leggatt's work as a missionary in the New Hebrides.

AU PMB MS 145
Title: Autobiography
Date(s): 1887-1966 (Creation) Sister Margaret of the Cross
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Sister Margaret, daughter of the headmaster of Clifton College, an Anglican college in Bristol, was born in 1887. She was educated at St Andrews in Scotland; at a school run by Mrs Leonard Huxley at Priors Field, Godalming; and at Cambridge University. After a period of uncertainty, Sister Margaret became an Anglican nun. She taught at a school in South Africa for seven years and was later a novice mistress in India. In 1929 she went to the Solomon Islands as a teaching sister for the Melanesian Mission. In 1942 she transferred to the Melanesian Mission school at Torgil, Aoba Island, New Hebrides. After furlough in England in 1948, Sister Margaret became a member of the Roman Catholic Church and served a further term in the Solomon Islands. In 1966 she went to live in New Zealand.

AU PMB MS 181
Title: Correspondence and reports
Date(s): 1858-1913 (Creation) Roman Catholic Church - New Caledonia
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: These papers comprise part of the records of the Vicariate of New Caledonia which are designated Oceania Nova Caledonia (ONC) in the Marist Archives (see PMB MS 161). Contents include a report of a tour of Marist missions in New Caledonia and the New Hebrides dated 5 July 1900 by A. Aubry, SM.

AU PMB MS 191
Title: Slide presentation, histories, chronologies, correspondence
Date(s): c.1842-c.1886 (Creation) Roman Catholic Church - Tonga
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: These papers form part of the records of the Vicariate of Tonga which are designated Oceania Tonga (OT) in the Marist Archives. Contents include the movement of the Catholic population in the Apostolical Vicariat of Central Oceania (Graph); and an historical account and chronologies of Tonga, New Zealand, the New Hebrides, Wallis and Futuna (tss) - filed under OT 200 Historia.

AU PMB MS 195
Title: Miscellaneous papers
Date(s): 1853-1937 (Creation) Roman Catholic Church - Tonga and New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 191. The papers comprise:
New Hebrides-Oceania Novae Ebudae (OE): Documents include correspondence (1895, 1901-3) relating to the Higginson Loan, Curiosites Linguistiques on the languages of the New Hebrides, Theogonie de l’îlot Vau, newspaper clippings (1928) on racial problems in the New Hebrides, list of ethnographic publications on the New Hebrides, New Hebrides census (1900, 1913), lecture notes to accompany slide presentation (1926).

**AU PMB MS 197**
Title: Letters
Date(s): 1869-1893 (Creation) Peter Milne
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The Rev. Peter Milne (1834-1924) was born in Scotland and went to the New Hebrides as a Presbyterian Missionary in 1869. After a brief stay on Erromanga, he established himself at Nguna on Efate, where he remained, except for short breaks, for the rest of his life. There are 33 letters. The first four were written in New Zealand, and all but one of the rest from the New Hebrides - mainly Nguna.

**AU PMB MS 417**
Title: Journals, diaries, notebook, letters, hymns
Date(s): 1836-1876 (Creation) Rev. Henry Nisbet
Extent and medium: 3 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: The Rev. Henry Nisbet, LL.D. (1818-76), a missionary of the London Missionary Society, left England for the Pacific Islands in August 1840. He reached Samoa from Sydney in August 1841, and went to Tanna, New Hebrides, in the following June. He returned to Samoa in February 1843 and was stationed there for the rest of his life. In 1846 and 1848 he visited Niue, the New Hebrides and the Loyalty Islands on behalf of his mission. He visited Australia in 1854 and 1867-68; and England and Canada in 1869-70. Nisbet began the practice of keeping a daily diary several years before he left England and continued it until ten days before his death. Contents include one notebook (numbered 1), 13 journals (numbered 2-14), some hymns in Samoan, and letters from Nisbet to his second wife, Lydia Lantoret:

- Reel 2: Journal Nos 5-9, 6 January 1851 to 12 February 1869.
- Reel 3: Journal Nos 10-14, 13 February 1869 to 29 April 1876. 'Mr Nisbet's Hymns', circa 1850 - hymns in the Samoan language. Letters from Nisbet to his second wife, Lydia Lantoret, 1870-76, and a few of her letters to the family and other miscellaneous letters, 1870-82.

**AU PMB MS 418**
Title: Diaries
Date(s): 1848-1858 (Creation) Rev. Dr. John Geddie
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Geddie (1815-72), a Presbyterian missionary, left Nova Scotia for the New Hebrides in 1846 and reached Aneityum in May 1848 in the mission ship JOHN WILLIAMS, accompanied by the Rev. Thomas Powell. Geddie and Powell established themselves on the southern side of the island, but were coolly received by the inhabitants. When Powell left the island after about a year, Geddie remained with Samoan teachers. The mission was reinforced in 1852 by the arrival of the Rev. John Inglis and his wife who established a station on the northern side of the island. Meanwhile, Geddie had begun printing books in the Aneityumese language - the first being a spelling book, with readings from Scripture, hymns and prayers. During the next few years many similar works and translations of the Scriptures were published. Geddie retired to Australia in 1872, but died soon afterwards. The diaries provide a useful key to Geddie's activities during his first ten years on Aneityum.

**AU PMB MS 477**
Title: Press clippings and manuscript letters and journals
Date(s): 1844-1877 (Creation) Rev. Dr. John Geddie
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Geddie (1815-72), a Presbyterian missionary, left Nova Scotia for the New Hebrides in 1846 and reached Aneityum in May 1848 in the mission ship John Williams, accompanied by the Rev. Thomas Powell. Geddie and Powell established themselves on the southern side of the island, but were coolly received by the inhabitants. When Powell left the island after about a year, Geddie remained with Samoan teachers. The mission was reinforced in 1852 by the arrival of the Rev. John Inglis and his wife who established a station on the northern side of the island. Meanwhile, Geddie had begun printing books in the Aneityumese language - the first being a spelling book, with readings from Scripture, hymns and prayers. During the next few years many similar works and translations of the Scriptures were published. Geddie retired to Australia in 1872, but died soon afterwards. Contents include thirteen folders of letters, newspaper articles, etc. concerning Geddie's life and the Presbyterian church of his time. Each folder contains an index which appears on the microfilm.

AU PMB MS 526
Title: Minute books
Date(s): 21 April 1947 - 31 October 1970 (Creation) Tango Training Institution - New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The Tango Training Institution was established by the Presbyterian Mission to the New Hebrides in 1895 as a training centre for New Hebridean teachers. The institution was generally known by its initials, TTI, and this led to some confusion as to what the letters stood for. The title pages of the present minute books give the name as Teachers' Training Institute. The establishment was also known as Tango Training Institute. Tangoa is a small island off the south coast of Espiritu Santo, not to be confused with Tongoa (Shepherd Group) in the central part of Vanuatu. See also PMB MS 42.

AU PMB MS 530
Title: Diaries
Date(s): 1894-1914 (Creation) Bishop Cecil Wilson
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Bishop Wilson (1860-1941) was born in London. He was educated at Jesus College, Cambridge, where he obtained his BA degree in 1883 and MA in 1886. He was ordained deacon in 1886 and priest in 1887. He was curate of Portsea, Portsmouth, from 1886 to 1891 and vicar of Moordown, Bournemouth, from 1891 to 1894. In the latter year he was appointed Bishop of Melanesia which post he held until 1911, when he was transferred to South Australia. He became Bishop of Bunbury, Western Australia, in 1917. An account by him of his work as Bishop of Melanesia appeared under the title of The Wake of the Southern Cross (London, 1932). This is an account of the diarist's work as Bishop of Melanesia. Some of the material was used in The Wake of the Southern Cross. NOTE: No diary was available for microfilming for the period 2 November 1903 - 17 September 1904.
Reel 1: April 20 1894 - September 24 1901
Reel 2: September 25 1901 - September 26 1911; March 15 - October 7 1912 and entries for May, October and November, 1913. Followed by newspaper clippings from The Times Weekly, May 12, 1927 and miscellaneous notes.

AU PMB MS 549
Title: Letterbook
Date(s): 1934-1936 (Creation) Melanesian Mission, Sydney
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Correspondence relating to mission management, particularly to financial matters.

AU PMB MS 550
Title: Diaries
Date(s): 1942-1963 (Creation) Rev. Dr. C.E. Fox
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Dr Fox (1878- ) was born in Dorset, England, and educated in New Zealand. He joined the Melanesian Mission from New Zealand and was posted to the Mission's school on Norfolk Island in 1902. After being ordained in 1903, he spent some time in the Banks Group of the New Hebrides before going to
San Cristobal, Solomon Islands, in 1908 where he began a school and started learning the local languages. He remained in the Solomons throughout the Pacific war, living behind Japanese lines. After the war he continued as a teacher and remained in the Solomons until well into his eighties. The diaries cover the periods 1942-50 inclusive, 1952, 1955-56, 1958-59 and 1963. There are also some loose letters. During the period of the Japanese occupation of the Solomons the diaries are in the Arosi language.

**AU PMB MS 555**
Title: Minute Book
Date(s): 1940-1946 (Creation) Melanesian Mission Advisory Committee, Sydney
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Minute Book, 1940-46.

**AU PMB MS 556**
Title: Newspaper clippings re Southern Cross
Date(s): 1932 (Creation) Melanesian Mission
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Newspaper clippings re the dedication of the mission ship Southern Cross at Greenwich, England, on 26 July 1932.

**AU PMB MS 559**
Title: Correspondence, journal, music
Date(s): 1855-1953 (Creation) Melanesian Church, Solomon Islands
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The papers comprise: some correspondence of Bishop John Coleridge Patteson for the years 1855, 1858, 1861, 1863, 1865 and 1871; Rev. John Palmer's journal to his sister in England (1863-1864), describing his voyage to Erromanga, New Hebrides and the mission there; copy of a letter by Mr Welchman (29.11.1891) entitled Voyage of the 'Southern Cross', describing the first voyage of the Southern Cross from England to New Zealand; miscellaneous correspondence (1952-53) including some by Dr C.E. Fox, at that time the longest actively serving member of the Melanesian Mission; music and words of a dance from the Qatnapnei district of Raga, New Hebrides, with English commentary.

**AU PMB MS 561**
Title: Correspondence
Date(s): 1927-1948 (Creation) New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission Synod
Extent and medium: 3 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Reel 1: 1927 – 1936; Reel 2: July 1936 - September 1946; Reel 3: 1946 – 1948.

**AU PMB MS 562**
Title: Minutes
Date(s): 1949-1966 (Creation) New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission Council
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Minutes - 1949 - 1966

**AU PMB MS 563**
Title: Reports
Date(s): 1950-1956 (Creation) New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission Council
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Reports for the years 1950-56

**AU PMB MS 564**
Title: Minutes of executive meetings
Date(s): 1951-1973 (Creation) Presbyterian Church of the New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Minutes of Executive Meetings 1951-73
AU PMB MS 565
Title: Minutes
Date(s): 1949-1962 (Creation) Presbyterian Church of the New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Minutes for the years 1949-62

AU PMB MS 566
Title: Correspondence re land
Date(s): 1945-1962 (Creation) Presbyterian Church of the New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Prior to 1949, the Presbyterian Church of the New Hebrides was known as the New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission. Correspondence re land, 1945-62.

AU PMB MS 568
Title: Logbook of voyage in the Dayspring
Date(s): 5 May - 30 September 1871 (Creation) Frederick Shepherd
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The author was an officer in the Presbyterian Mission Vessel Dayspring. This archive contains the log of a voyage in the Dayspring (Captain W.A. Fraser) from Portland, Victoria, to the New Hebrides and Loyalty Islands. Calls were made at Anietyum, Aniva, Futuna, Tanna, Efate, Malekula, Mare, Lifu and Uea. The title page indicates that the voyage ended on 4 January 1872, but the pages covering the period after 30 September 1871 have apparently been lost.

AU PMB MS 569
Title: Extracts from 'The Tenor of My Life' (Autobiography)
Date(s): n.d. (Creation) Imamura Hitoshi
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: During World War II, Imamura Hitoshi was Japanese Army group commander with headquarters in Rabaul. His area of command included New Guinea and Bougainville. After the war, he was held responsible by the Australian military authorities for acts of brutality against Indian and Chinese personnel within his area of command. He was also tried and acquitted by a Dutch court in respect of actions that occurred within his area of command in the Netherlands East Indies. This is an English translation of parts of Imamura's autobiography. The extracts include Imamura's account of his career in Indonesia and elsewhere before he took up his post in Rabaul.

AU PMB MS 590
Title: Official and personal correspondence, newspaper clippings and records
Date(s): 1852-1931 (Creation) Roman Catholic Church, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: These papers form part of the records of the Vicariate of the New Hebrides, which are designated Oceania Novae Ebudae (OE) in the Marist Archives. They have been filmed as PMB MS 590, 591 and 592. The descriptions used in the archives for the correspondence are as follows: Ministere Marine et Colonies - Monografia (5F 201) - Narrationes (5F 202) which include La Terre Australe de Saint-Esprit, a history of the Marist mission in the New Hebrides, published in 1912, and cuttings from Le Neo-Caledonien, 29/2/1888 relating to the New Hebrides, from Le Journal des Nouvelles-Hebrides, 26/10/1901 and La Quinzaine Coloniale, 25/5/1903; Epistolae Historia (5F 208) Mortui, listing the deaths of missionaries for 1852 and 1898-1931, with date of birth and place of death; SE 330 Relations, including an extract of Council Minutes for 5/10/1887, letters, a report by Fr Provincial on the New Hebrides mission 26/9/1913 (typescript 44pp.) and Visite aux Nouvelles-Hebrides 30 August - 4 November 1919 a report on mission stations and missionaries by J.B. Chevreuil; SE 418 Mgr Doucere, epistolae 1887-1919. The correspondence is not in chronological order.

AU PMB MS 591-592
Title: General correspondence
Date(s): 1894-1919 (Creation) Roman Catholic Church, New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 590 for full entry. The descriptions used in the archives for the correspondence are as follows: PMB MS 591: Mgr Doucere, epistolae 1887-1919 (Continued from reel PMB 590) - Procurator Missionum. - T.O.R.M. - Epistolae ad Administr. Gen. - Historia OE 1894-1895. PMB MS 592: Correspondence of Father Jean Pionnier, Provicaire, and Mgr Fraysse, Bishop. Principal correspondents are Fathers Deniau, Gautret and Suas. The correspondence is not in chronological order.

AU PMB MS 658
Title: Dictionary of the language of Talomako, Big Bay, New Hebrides: French-Talomako (A to 'Pere' only)
Date(s): n.d. (Creation) Journals of the Melanesian Mission
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: A Catholic mission at Talomako, Big Bay, was established in 1900 by Father Pierre Bochu, SM. In the following year, Father Casimir Bancarel arrived and remained until 1905. The dictionary is not in the handwriting of either Bochu or Bancarel. For letters by them see PMB MS 56. The author of the dictionary is unknown.

AU PMB MS 1012
Title: Vanuatu papers
Date(s): 1945-1961 (Creation) Rev. Dr J. Graham Miller
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Dr J. Graham Miller and Mrs Flora Miller were missionaries in Vanuatu for the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand. They served on Tongoa Island in the Shepherd Group from 1941 to 1947, when Dr Miller became principal of the Tangoa Teachers Training Institute on Santo Island, where they remained until 1952. In 1971 they were invited, by the Presbyterian Church of the New Hebrides, back to Tongoa to set up a Presbyterian Bible College and to prepare for national leadership of the College in 1973. Dr Miller’s papers relate to the development and inauguration of the Presbyterian Church of the New Hebrides, the South Pacific Missionary Conference, 1947, Morpeth NSW and his 1961 John G. Paton Memorial Lecture. The contents are:
1. Introduction by Pacific Manuscripts Bureau
2. The Presbyterian Church of the New Hebrides 1839-1948: Introduction by J. Graham Miller, including, (p.3), explanatory notes on the 12 papers which follow
3. South Pacific Missionary Conference, Morpeth NSW 1947: Introduction and contents list by J. Graham Miller; Correspondence between J.G. Miller, J. Whitesed Dover, H.H. Barton and the South Pacific Commission regarding the questionnaires; Replies to the questionnaires and reports of commissions - Women’s work (A.E. Downs); education; church community and state; native culture; the indigenous church, including an account of the church cooperative store on Tongoa, the first cooperative in Vanuatu.

AU PMB MS 1025
Title: Field notes from Tongoa, New Hebrides
Date(s): 1941-1947 (Creation) Rev. Dr J. Graham Miller
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Dr Miller and his wife Flora were missionaries of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand on the island of Tongoa, in the Shepherd Group, Vanuatu from 1941 to 1947. Miller was also a member of the New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission Synod and was closely associated with the indigenisation of the Church in Vanuatu (see PMB MS 1012). With a training in law and no knowledge of linguistics or anthropology, Miller and his wife made up their minds to become one with the people and were soon able to use the local language, a dialect of Efatese used in preaching and conversation. The notes comprise three sections: a bound volume, a folder and a collection of miscellaneous papers.
AU PMB MS 1028
Title: Tongoan dictionary and notes on other Vanuatu languages (central Islands)
Date(s): Compiled between 1941-1973 (Creation) Rev. Dr. J. Graham Miller
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Dr and Mrs Miller were missionaries of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand on the Island of Tongoa in Vanuatu from 1941 to 1947 when Miller became principal of the Tongoa Teachers Training Institute on Tongoa Island (as opposed to Tongoa Island in the Shepherd Group) just off the coast of Santo Island. In 1952 the Millers took a parish in Auckland, New Zealand, returning to Tongoa in 1971 to set up the Presbyterian Bible College. They left the New Hebrides/Vanuatu in 1973. The material on this reel is presented in two parts: Part I, The Tongoan Dictionary and Part II, Languages of the Central Islands. The Dictionary, which is incomplete, was compiled during field service (1941-73).

AU PMB MS 1037
Title: Fraser family papers
Date(s): 1881-1921 (Creation) Fraser, various family members
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Robert Mackenzie Fraser (1851-1921) was born in Scotland. In 1881 he was appointed by the Presbyterian Churches of Tasmania as their first missionary to the New Hebrides where he died at the Paton Memorial Hospital, Vila. He married twice and had eight children. This three-part collection consists of the writings of various members of the Fraser family: Part 1 - letters and diary of Jessie Fraser (nee Mellis) Fraser's first wife; Part II - a diary by Ruth Fraser Davies, Fraser's daughter from his second marriage; Part III - part of an unpublished autobiography by Dr Vernon Davies, DSO, MD, MRACP, PhD (Ruth's husband), the doctor who attended Fraser in Vila.

AU PMB MS 1046
Title: Diaries, correspondence and miscellaneous papers
Date(s): 1882-1937 (Creation) Rev. William Gray
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 1046. Contents include:
1. Rev. William Gray's Journal at Tanna for the period 1882-1884. This journal precedes the personal diaries on PMB MS 1046.

AU PMB MS 1047
Title: Journal, report and letterbook
Date(s): 1882-1906 (Creation) Rev. William Gray
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 1046. Contents include:
1. Rev. William Gray's Journal at Tanna for the period 1882-1884. This journal precedes the personal diaries on PMB MS 1046.

AU PMB MS 1048
Title: Journal and correspondence
Date(s): 1882-1886 (Creation) Elizabeth (nee McEwen) Gray
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 1046. Contents include journal (6 September 1884 to 4 February 1886) and correspondence (1882-1893).

**AU PMB MS 1050**

**Title:** The Brenchley papers  
**Date(s):** 1840-1865 (Creation)  
**Rev. Julius Lucius Brenchley**  
**Extent and medium:** 1 reel; 35mm microfilm  
**Description:** The Reverend Julius Brenchley (1816-1873) first visited the Pacific (Hawaii) in 1850 with the French traveller, Jules Remy, during his American tour. He later visited New Zealand in 1864 with Lieutenant the Hon. Herbert Meade, RN and involved himself in Maori affairs. From Sydney he made his celebrated visit to the Islands in the Curacoa in 1865, also with Meade whose journals, kept on board the Curacoa in 1865 and the Esk in 1866, form part of the Brenchley Papers. See also Artefacts from the Solomon Islands in the Julius L. Brenchley Collection (London 1987), Deborah B. Waite. The contents of the microfilm are those items in the collection relating to the Pacific. They include: Meade's original journal on board the Esk (October/November 1866) with observations on Tongan and Fijian chiefs; Meade's journal on board the Curacoa which mentions Fiji, Aneiteum (New Hebrides), Norfolk Island, Niue, Samoa, and Tonga, including an account of the punitive action on 11 August involving the missionary J.G. Paton at Tanna; botanical, biological, meteorological and scientific observations; and the journal of a tour from Auckland to Taranaki, New Zealand in 1849-1850 by the Governor General.

**AU PMB MS 1051**

**Title:** An informal record of missionary service in the Island of Tongoa and the Shepherd Islands  
**Date(s):** 1941-1947 (Creation)  
**Revered J. Graham Miller and Flora Miller**  
**Extent and medium:** 1 reel; 35mm microfilm  
**Description:** Dr and Mrs Miller were missionaries of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand on the Island of Tongoa in the Shepherd Group, (New Hebrides), Vanuatu, from 1941 to 1947 when Miller became principal of the Tongoa Teachers Training Institute, on Tongoa Island (not Tongoa) off the coast of Santo Island. In 1952 the Millers took a parish in Auckland, New Zealand, returning to Tongoa in 1971 to set up the Presbyterian Bible College. The left New Hebrides/Vanuatu in 1973. This typescript manuscript (370pp) is based on the diaries, articles and cultural and topical jottings by the Rev. J. Graham Miller and his wife Flora during their missionary service in Tongoa, Shepherd Islands (Vanuatu), 1941-47. It includes maps, press clippings and reproduces relevant reports, statistics and comments. See also PMB MS 1012, 1025 and 1028.

**AU PMB MS 1123**

**Title:** Manuscripts, pamphlets and press cuttings relating to Rev. William Gray  
**Date(s):** 1884-1895, 1913-1915 (Creation)  
**Rev. William Gray**  
**Extent and medium:** 2 reels; 35mm microfilm  
**Description:** William Gray (1854-1937) was born near Gawler, South Australia. He obtained his BA from Adelaide University and graduated in divinity from Union College in 1880, the first Presbyterian student to complete the course. He spent 1881, the year of his ordination, in medical training at Adelaide Hospital and as Minister to the congregations of Goodwood and Mount Barker. He married Elizabeth McEwen in 1882 and shortly after they sailed for Weasisi, Tanna, New Hebrides in the Dayspring. Gray was the first Presbyterian Church of South Australia missionary to the New Hebrides. He produced a grammar, primer, hymnal and translation of Luke's Gospel in the Tanna language. At the age of 71 Gray became head of the Smith of Dunsek Presbyterian Mission which later became the nucleus of John Flynn's Australian Inland Mission. See also PMB MS 1046, 1047 and 1048. This archive contains: Rev Gray's manuscripts, pamphlets and press cuttings on the labour traffic; copies of some annual reports of the Queensland Kanaka Mission and the Queensland Department of Pacific Island Immigration; pamphlets by J G Paton, A C Smith and J Inglis 1915; William Watt Erskine's recollections of his childhood on Tanna, lantern slides and photographs of missionary life in the New Hebrides, 1880s.

**AU PMB MS 1128**

**Title:** Miscellaneous papers  
**Date(s):** 1913, 1987, n.d, 1984 (Creation)  
**National Library of Vanuatu.**
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Miscellaneous documents held in the National Library of Vanuatu. Contains:
- Photographs of the Presbyterian mission at West Ambrym before and after the volcanic eruption of 1913
- Final Report on Tropical Cyclone Uma (5-9 Feb 1987)
- Tavue: a collection of short stories from East Aoba

AU PMB MS 1140
Title: A Days March Nearer Home, Vols. 5, 6 & 12: Presbyterian Teachers Training Institute (TTI), Tangoa, Vanuatu, 1947-1973
Date(s): 1947-1973 (Creation) Rev. Dr J. Graham Miller
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Dr Graham Miller and his wife Flora were missionaries in Vanuatu for the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand. They were based on the island of Tongoa (Shepherd Group) from 1941-1947. Dr Miller was principal of the Tangoa Training Institute (TTI) from 1947-52. In 1971 Dr Miller was invited to return to Vanuatu and help establish a Presbyterian Bible College. Dr Miller was also a member of the New Hebrides Synod and was closely involved with the indigenisation of the Presbyterian Church in Vanuatu. These papers concern Dr Miller’s tenure at the TTI from 1947-52 and again on Tangoa from 1971-73. The papers comprise three sections, or volumes. The first, Vol. 5, Five and a half years as Principal of the Teachers Training Institution, 1947-52, includes a description of the Miller’s journey from Tongoa to Tangoa, his first steps as Principal, extracts from Dr Miller’s LIVE books, photographs, lectures and the TTI’s relationship with the condominium authorities. Section two, Vol. 6, Specimens of class lecture material at the Teachers Training Institute, Tangoa 1947-52, includes Dr Miller’s selections of graded classroom notes which he used to assist the students in the main classroom disciplines, e.g. teaching the Bible, English, Christian conduct, practical training, church work & witness, teaching method, preaching class and Christian doctrine. Section three, Vol. 12, Presbyterian Bible College, Tangoa, 1971-73, includes papers on the Miller’s return to Tangoa, plans for the Bible College, newsletters, TTI publications, patterns of student life & activities, student fieldwork, refresher courses, conferences, staff appointments and the Silver Jubilee of the PCNH. The volume concludes with descriptions of the 10th anniversary celebrations of the Bible College in 1981.

AU PMB MS 1150
Title: Correspondence
Date(s): 1890 -1942 (Creation) South Sea Evangelical Mission, formerly Queensland Kanaka Mission
Extent and medium: 5 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Florence Young commenced mission work among indentured labourers from the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu (New Hebrides) on her brothers’ sugar plantation and mill, Fairymead, near Bundaberg in Queensland, in the early 1880s. Steeped in the beliefs of the Plymouth Bretheren and influenced by the English Keswick Convention, members of the Young, Deck and Grant families established the Queensland Kanaka Mission in 1886 and extended it to various centres along the Queensland coast. Converts of the QKM returned to the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu at the turn of the century, among them Peter Ambuofa of North Malaita who appealed to the QKM for help. Two men from Queensland, Charles Pillians and Peter Schwiegert, came in response. Both died of malaria. Subsequently, in 1904, the QKM formed a Solomon Islands Branch and established a principal station at Onepusu on the west coast of Malaita in 1905. The Mission changed its name to the South Sea Evangelical Mission in 1907. Its activities were extended to Guadalcanal, Makira and Rennell Island and, after World War II, it commenced operations in the Sepik region in the Territory of New Guinea. (See John Garrett, Footsteps in the Sea: Christianity in Oceania to World War II, 1992; pp.82-87.) This archive contains general correspondence, 1890-1925, and Island Council matters, 1928-1950; together with letters-in from the following missionaries: Frederick Daniels, 1911; Jessie Deck, 1911; A. Hedley Abbott, 1913; Violet Sullivan, 1916-1941; Norman Deck, 1917-1942; Robert & May McBride, 1920-1941; M. Clark, 1924; H. J. Waite, 1924-1941; Miss Drummond, 1927-1931; Alan Niel, 1927-1938; Lilian Drewett, 1927-1937; David Humphries, 1927-1932; Lily Waiti, 1929; Mr MacDonald, 1929;

**AU PMB MS 1244**

**Title:** Correspondence from the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu  
**Date(s):** 1930-1948 (Creation)  
**Sister Helen Leishman**  
**Extent and medium:** 1 reel; 35mm microfilm  
**Description:** Mary Helen Margaret Leishman was born at Bunbury Western Australia on 17 April 1902. She died on 7 May 1995 in Launceston, Tasmania. Helen Leishman gave 22 years’ service to the Anglican Church’s Melanesian Mission in the Solomons and New Hebrides (now Vanuatu) as both lay missionary nursing sister, then as a member of the religious sisterhood, the Community of the Cross. That Community corporately moved to the Roman Catholic Church in July 1950, after which Helen Leishman spent more than 38 years in a Carmelite Monastery in Tasmania. These letters cover the period 1930 to 1948.

**AU PMB MS 1252**

**Title:** Letter books  
**Date(s):** (Creation)  
**Extent and medium:** 1 reel; 35mm microfilm  
**Description:**
1. Leggatt, T. Watt, First printings in language of Aulua, Malekula [New Hebrides], 1890-1892.  
2. Leggatt, T. Watt, Mission work in Malekula, New Hebrides, 1891.  
3. Leggatt, T. Watt, Newspaper clippings relating to the New Hebrides, [ca.1891-ca.1905] [microfilm] Mfm PMB 87  
7. Leggatt, T. Watt, Morning rays on Malekula [1897?].  
8. Leggatt, T. Watt, Numene ta Apostol Hera, 1897.  
10. Leggatt, T. Watt, Diaries 1901-1908 [microform] mfm PMB 86  
12. Leggatt, T. Watt, Nasuruan ivoi Marik i tos, 1906  
14. Leggatt, T. Watt, How rain came up through the earth on Aniwa [1924].  

**AU PMB MS 1254**

**Title:** Tribunal français des Nouvelles-Hébrides, Tribunal Mixte  
**Date(s):** 1900-1979 (Creation)  
**Supreme Court of Vanuatu**  
**Extent and medium:** 17 reels; 35mm microfilm  
**Description:** The Joint Court of the New Hebrides was established with the formation of the Anglo-French Condominium of the New Hebrides in 1906, whereby France and Great Britain agreed by Convention to govern this south west Pacific island archipelago as an area of joint influence (without partition). The records on this microfilm are among those arranged by Bruno Corrre, Territorial Archivist of New Caledonia, and described in his, Archives de la Cour Suprême de la République de Vanuatu (Tribunaux français des
The following series, most of which were arranged by M. Corre, have been microfilmed:

- Organisation judiciaire, 1900-1955, (num.1-5);
- Tribunal criminel de Port Vila, jugements, 1913-1963 (Vols.1-2);
- Tribunal Mixte, Arrêtés et décisions du Président, 1910-1976 (num.33-59);
- Arrêtés et décisions du Tribunal Mixte, 1911-1978 (num.60-93);
- Tribunal Mixte, Conférences. Procès verbaux. 1910-1930, (num.94-100);
- Tribunal Mixte, Correspondance Juge français, 1950-1956, (File Nos.1-19);
- Tribunal Mixte, Correspondance - Collection chronologique - Correspondance anglaise et française, 1927-1979 (num.222-268).

AU PMB MS 1262
Title: Labour judgements
Date(s): 1975-1977 (Creation) Supreme Court of Vanuatu
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Copies of Joint Court judgements in labour disputes.

AU PMB MS 1275
Title: Papers on constitutional development in the Pacific Islands.
Date(s): 1901-1985 (Creation) C.J. (Joe) Lynch
Extent and medium: 8 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: C.J. (Joe) Lynch was born on 6 June 1924 in Albury, New South Wales. He married Jean Marian Lane and had one daughter, Elizabeth. Joe Lynch died in May 1985. Joe Lynch was admitted as Barrister, Supreme Court of New South Wales in 1949. He worked as a legal officer at the Department of Territories from 1949-1952. He worked as a legal officer at the Department of Law in Papua New Guinea from 1952 and was the Deputy Crown Law Officer and Assistant Secretary from 1955. From 1961 he worked as a legislative draftsman and drafted the constitutions of Papua New Guinea and Tuvalu (finalised after his death). He also completed post constitutional drafting for Kiribati and pre-constitutional drafting for the Marshall Islands. Joe Lynch was the Constitutional Draftsman and Special Legislative Counsel in Papua New Guinea from 1972 until Independence. He continued to undertake work on legislation for Papua New Guinea until around 1978. He was also the Acting Secretary for Law on several occasions. This archive includes notes, drafts and published papers by Joe Lynch, and other authors, relating to the political and constitutional development of Pacific Island countries. Many of the papers are dated from the 1960s-1980s, during a time when many of these countries achieved independence. Joe Lynch wrote extensively and published many journal articles, papers and books on the political and constitutional development of Pacific Island countries. These papers include the comparison of constitutions from different Pacific Islands, Westminster law, Parliamentary Ministerial Systems and political development in the Pacific. The documents are arranged by country; firstly with papers written by C.J. Lynch, arranged chronologically; followed by papers by other authors, arranged chronologically. Published papers have not been microfilmed.

AU PMB MS 1277
Title: World YWCA, South Pacific Area, Ofis Blong Ol Meri, circulars, leaflets, reports, newsletters and posters
Date(s): 1982-1991 (Creation) Ruth Lechte and Diane Goodwillie
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The World YWCA started a South Pacific Project in 1974 with Ruth Lechte as staff person. In 1982, Ofis Blong Ol Meri was established with Diane Goodwillie as Co-ordinator. In May 1983, Edith Enoga from Papua New Guinea was appointed as Communications Development Officer. Ofis Blong Ol Meri was a project to serve the needs of women in the Pacific Islands (especially PNG, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Fiji, New Caledonia, Kiribati and Tuvalu). It worked mainly with non-government women’s groups. (From leaflet, n.d., 1983?) Contents include: circulars, leaflets and reports, 1982-1987; Newsletters, 1983-1991; Photographs; Calendars, 1984-1988; Related Publications, 1994-2002.

AU PMB MS 1279
Title: Diaries and notebook kept at Vanikoro and Santa Cruz, Solomon Islands, and in the New Hebrides

Date(s): 1930-1953 (Creation) Fred Louis Jones
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Fred Louis Jones was born in England in 1902. He arrived in Port Vila in the mid 1920s. He may have worked as District Officer in the British Solomon Islands Protectorate for a brief time in the 1920s. In Port Vila he purchased a trading schooner, Quand meme, and established a trade store in Vanikoro. Fred Jones had wide interests, see for example, H.G. Beasley and F.L. Jones, ‘Notes on Red Feather Money from Santa Cruz Group, New Hebrides’, Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, Vol.66, Jul-Dec 1936. He later purchased an Island in the Banks Group where his son, Jimmy, still lives. Fred Jones retired to Australia and died in Sydney in 1987. Contents include diaries and notebooks. Of note is his 1953 diary, written in the Agenda published by the New Caledonian firm Établissements Ballande in 1953, the centenary of French occupation of New Caledonia. The prolific advertisements and photographs printed in the Agenda reflect commercial life in New Caledonia and the New Hebrides. Also his notebook is comprised of a series of essays, including: “Japan Reaches Out”; “A Brief Account of a Day Fishing for Trochus Shells”; “An Account of a Shark Fishing Disaster at Santa Cruz August 1935”; “H.A. Bernatzik”; “Bishop Molyneux”; “Menaduka / Menduka / Meduka”; “Mermunda – a Spirit”; Dukas at Santo Bay compared to the old gods at the Reef Islands and Duff Group and other notes on five kinds of “dukas”; “Story of Nolarlingi and Darwi”.

AU PMB MS 1280
Title: The New Hebrides Condominium
Date(s): n.d. (Creation) Richard Thomas Edwin Latham
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Richard Thomas Edwin Latham, the son of Sir John Greig Latham (who was leader of the Federal Opposition in Australia in the early 1930s and later Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia) was a brilliant student at Scotch College, Melbourne, 1922-1926. He continued his successful scholastic career at the University of Melbourne where he graduated Bachelor of Arts with first class honours in the combined Schools of History and Philosophy in April 1930, and also studied four Law subjects in 1930 as part of a LLB. He won a Rhodes Scholarship for Victoria in November 1931, studied Law at Oxford University, where he wrote on constitutional law, was called to the English Bar and joined the Foreign Office for a time before entering the RAF where he was commissioned as an observer. Latham was listed missing on 15 April 1943 when an Australian torpedo bomber which he was navigating failed to return from a scheduled attack on an enemy convoy off the Norwegian coast. Contents include The New Hebrides Condominium, Ts., p/c, pp.1-73, is a well-informed and polished account of the Condominium, possibly part of a thesis presented at the School of History at Melbourne University in 1929 or 1930.

AU PMB MS 1301
Title: Selected archives
Date(s): 1863-1932 (Creation) Church of Melanesia (Anglican Church in the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Norfolk Island, New Zealand and Australia)
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: In 1854, at the recommendation of Bishop George Augustus Selwyn, Melanesia was created as a separate ”See” which Bishop Selwyn toured in 1857 in the mission ship Southern Cross, visiting sixty-six of the islands. John Coleridge Patteson was consecrated Bishop of Melanesia in 1861. Patteson and several of his companions were killed on 20 September 1871 on the island of Nakapu, in the Santa Cruz group, after slave-raiders had visited the area. In 1867, the Mission college at Mission Bay, Auckland, moved to Norfolk Island. In 1919 it moved to Sioita, Gela Island, and in 1970 to Guadalcanal where in became known as Bishop Patteson Theological Centre (later college), Kohimarama. The first Melanesian to be an ordained priest was George Sarawia from Mota Island, New Hebrides (Vanuatu) in 1873. Charles Elliot Fox joined the staff of the Anglican Melanesian Mission in 1903. During more than seventy years of service as a missionary and teacher, Fox lived and worked in most of the islands of the Solomon chain, on the Banks, and in the New Hebrides. Ini Kopuria formed the Melanesian Brotherhood in 1925. The first two Melanesian bishops were Dudley Tuti from Ysabel and Leonard Alufurai from Malaita. They were consecrated in Honiara in 1963. The Church of Melanesia was inaugurated in 1975. This microfilm contains documents held in the pre-1975 archives of the Church of Melanesia at the National Archives of the Solomon Islands. Some of Rev. Fox’s diaries were re-filmed due to problems with some exposures at PMB MS 550. Contents include:
Rev. Dr Charles E. Fox, Diaries, 1950-1963 (gaps); Southern Cross, voyage journal, 28 May-2 Oct 1866

AU PMB MS 1311
Title: Correspondence from the Presbyterian Mission at Tangoa, Santo, New Hebrides (Vanuatu)
Date(s): 1935-1947 (Creation)
Adam Wilson and Christina Wilson
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Adam Wilson (10 Mar 1909-11 Dec 1988) was born in Edinburgh. His family were strong Baptists. He was apprenticed as a joiner/woodworker. Encouraged by his father, John Christie Wilson, to pursue a career as a missionary, Adam Wilson attended the All Nations Bible College in London to train for missionary work in Africa. There he met Dr McLeod who persuaded him to try the John G. Paton mission in the New Hebrides. Rev. Adam Wilson arrived at the Tangoa Teacher Training Institute on Santo, New Hebrides, on 26 July 1934 where he worked as an “artisan missionary” helping to look after the Presbyterian Mission’s infrastructure as well as teaching. Adam Wilson also edited the Mission journal, Quarterly Jottings from the New Hebrides. He married Christina Alexander Wrighton (29 Jan 1904-12 Jan 1969; born in Overtown, Scotland) at Rev. Frank Paton’s manse in Melbourne on 11 March 1935. Christina was a nurse by profession. It is likely that Adam Wilson was a coastwatcher, possibly based in Santo, responsible to the Australian Navy for providing information on the Japanese if they arrived in the New Hebrides before the Americans. Adam Wilson left the New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission in 1947 when it was considered that his practical skills were no longer a priority. Contents include letters from Adam and Christina Wilson, mainly from the Tangoa Teacher Training Institute, Santo, New Hebrides, to their family in Edinburgh, 1935-1947.

AU PMB MS 1331
Title: Church of Melanesia, Diocese of Vanuatu, Rev. Judah Butu papers, Lolowai, Ambae
Date(s): 1969-2004 (Creation)
Rev. Judah Butu
Extent and medium: 3 reels; 35mm microfilm

AU PMB MS 1332
Title: Church of Melanesia, Diocese of Vanuatu, St Patrick’s Junior secondary school, Banks Islands and Ambae
Date(s): 1923-1986 (Creation)
St Patrick’s Junior Secondary School, Banks Islands and Ambae
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: St Patrick’s School, Vureas, is an Anglican secondary school in Ambae, Vanuatu. Originally located in Vureas on the island of Vanualava in the Banks Group, St Patrick’s was the earliest of the Anglican schools in South Melanesia. St Patrick’s College moved to Lolowai on Ambae in the 1920s. Contents include:

- St Patrick’s Vureas Log Book, Jan 1923-Jan 1930
- Log Book Vureas, Jan 1930-Jun 1935
- St Patrick’s Log Book, Jul 1935-Sep 1940
- St Patrick’s Log Book, Dec 1940-26 Sep 1946
- St Patrick’s Vureas Log Book, 30 Oct 1963-8 Jun 1974
- Fragments from St Patrick’s Log Books
• Register of Admission, Progress and Withdrawal, Vureas High, 20 Jun 1971-1986
• “From the Mouth of the Crater”, the School Magazine of St Patrick’s School, Vureas, Dec 1967

**AU PMB MS 1333**
Title: Church of Melanesia, Diocese of Vanuatu, Bishop Derek Rawcliffe papers, Santo
Date(s): 1948-1982 (Creation) Derek Rawcliffe
Extent and medium: 9 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Derek Alec Rawcliffe was born on 8 July 1921. He gained a BA from the University of Leeds. Following his training at Mirfield, he was made a Deacon in 1944. In 1945 he became a priest and was appointed to St. George’s, Worcester. In 1947 he was posted to work in Melanesia as Assistant Master, and then Head Master at All Hallows School, Pawa, Solomon Islands (1949). From 1956-1958 he was Head Master at St. Mary’s School, Maravovo, Solomon Islands. In 1959 he was appointed Archdeacon of Southern Melanesia. He was made first Bishop of New Hebrides in January 1974, leaving this post in 1980 to become Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway. From 1991 to 1996 he was Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Ripon. He was awarded an OBE in 1971. Documents rescued, identified and re-arranged on site at the abandoned Diocese of Vanuatu administration building, Sarakata, 2008 & 2009, include: correspondence, translations, theological writings, dramas, radio broadcasts; papers relating to New Hebrides Advisory Council, South Pacific Anglican Conference (SPAC), New Zealand Anglican Board of Missions, Australian Board of Missions, New Hebrides Christian Council, British Education Service, Vureas High School, Bishop Patteson Theological College, Pacific Churches Research Centre, loss of MV “Fauabu Twomey”, MV “Selwyn”, Selwyn College; press cuttings on the accidental death of Fr Allan Mackay (Noumea).

**AU PMB MS 1334**
Title: Church of Melanesia, Diocese of Vanuatu, Diocesan papers, Santo
Date(s): 1909-1999 (Creation) Church of Melanesia (Anglican Church in the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Norfolk Island, New Zealand and Australia)
Extent and medium: 5 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: NOTE The Church of Melanesia which was established by Bishop George Augustus Selwyn in 1849. It is known for the pioneer martyrs, Bishop John Coleridge Patteson, murdered in 1871, and Charles Godden, killed in 1906, among others. The Anglican Diocese of Melanesia separated from New Zealand in 1854. In 1963 the first two Melanesian Bishops were consecrated: Dudley Tuti and Leonard Alufurai. In 1975 Church of Melanesia was inaugurated as its own Province and Norman Palmer was consecrated as the first Archbishop of Melanesia. The Church has established Anglican congregations in northern Vanuatu, particularly in Ambai (Aoba), the Banks and Torres Islands and Santo, which were administered as an Archdeaconry, until the appointment of the first Bishop of Vanuatu in 1972. In 1980 the Diocesan headquarters was shifted from Lolowai in Ambae, to Sarataka in Luganville, Santo. Documents rescued, identified and re-arranged on site at the abandoned DOV administration building, Sarakata, 2008 & 2009, include: correspondence files, land records, Diocesan Synod meeting papers, Diocesan education papers; and papers relating to the Melanesian Brotherhood, the Vanuatu Christian Council, the pacific Churchers Research centre, the New Hebrides National Party / Vanua’aku Pati, etc.; and copies SPAC Newsletter / Newsletter of SPAC (South Pacific Anglican Council), 1970-1994 (gaps).

**AU PMB MS 1344**
Title: Church of Melanesia, Diocese of Vanuatu, Bishop Harry Tevi, papers, Santo
Date(s): 1967-1992 (Creation) Bishop Harry Tevi
Extent and medium: 4 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Bishop Harry Tevi was the second Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Vanuatu, Church of Melanesia. He was Bishop from 1980 until 1990. (See PMB 1334 Information Sheet for details of the Diocese.) Bishop Tevi trained for the priesthood at St Peter’s College, Siota and was the first ni-Vanuatu to be ordained as a Bishop in 1969. He was a Lecturer at the Bishop Patteson Theological College in Honiara. Bp Tevi died in November 2011. Documents rescued, identified and re-arranged on site, at the abandoned Diocese of Vanuatu administration building, Sarakata, 2008 & 2009, consisting of correspondence files, 1979-1986.
AU PMB MS 1358
Title: Diaries relating to his service with the Church of Christ Mission on Pentecost Island, New Hebrides (now Vanuatu)
Date(s): 1908-1918 (Creation) Frank Gordon Filmer
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Frank Filmer was a missionary with the Churches of Christ on Pentecost Island, New Hebrides from 1908-1919. Frank became engaged to Rosa Jane Fountain and in 1908 left to work as a missionary for the Church of Christ. He returned to South Australia and on 6 April 1909 Rosa and Frank were married in the Grote Street Church of Christ, Adelaide, South Australia. They had five children, four of whom were born in the islands. In 1923 Rosa developed malaria and died. Frank returned with his young children to Australia and worked as a Minister for the Church of Christ in Kadina, South Australia. Frank married Vera Edna Woodward on 2 November 1925 and returned to work on Ambryn as a plantation manager, where he had two more children. In 1929 they returned to South Australia. Frank later bought a dairy farm in Meadows where he and his three sons worked. This archive contains four diaries written by Frank Filmer, 1908-1918.

AU PMB MS 1359
Title: Selected archives
Date(s): 1852-1942 (Creation) Church of Melanesia (Anglican Church in the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Norfolk Island, New Zealand and Australia)
Extent and medium: 4 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 1301. Contents include documents in the pre-1975 archives of the Church of Melanesia which were deposited on 2-4 Feb 1981 and are now held in the National Archives of the Solomon Islands. The documents copied include Bishop George Selwyn’s navigational plot book (1852-1857), the diary of Mr Charles Hunter Brown who accompanied Bishop John Richardson Selwyn on the “Southern Cross” (Apr-Sep 1877), a five volume diary by Rev.David Ruddock (1880-1884) and Mr. Philip Walsh’s (an Auckland priest, artist and architect) notebook (1880-1890). Twentieth century documents include a diary by Canon Richard Godfrey (1918-1932) which includes folk-lore stories of Opā [sic.], New Hebrides and correspondence between General Secretary MM and Miss H.R. Blake re: establishment of Fauabu Clinic (1930-1942). The collection also includes historical papers relating to the history of the Church of Melanesia in Norfolk Island (1926-1938).

AU PMB MS 1382
Title: Diary, correspondence and miscellaneous papers of missionary service on the Island of Tangoa, New Hebrides (1931-33)
Date(s): 1931-1994 (Creation) Frank and Rita Paton
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: F.J.C. (Frank) and Rita Paton were Presbyterian missionaries in Tangoa (Vanuatu) from 1931-1933. They married in Ballarat in April 1931 and in May 1931 left for Vanuatu. “Rev. Dr. John G. Paton’s eldest son, Rev. Robert Robson Paton could not serve in the New Hebrides because doctor declared him medically unfit for work in the tropics. But he was pleased that two of his sons were able to go. Frank was first of the third generation. He worked as assistant to Rev. Fred Bowie, the Principal of Tangoa Teachers’ Training Institute (TTI) and District Missionary of South Santo. Frank was a teacher supported financially by the John G. Paton Fund. At Tangoa, Frank built a workshop for the TTI students where they could do repair and maintenance jobs. After returning to Australia, three children, Barbara, David and Ruth, were born. Frank undertook pastoral work and preaching in NSW, then taught at Caulfield Grammar School and Scotch College Melbourne. Rita died in 1982. Frank subsequently remarried. Contents include:
- Diaries 1931-1932.
- Various correspondence 1931-1939.
- Drafts of various writings (memoir, etc.) 1950-1971(?).
- Documents relating to Tangoa Training Institute and Presbyterian Church of New Hebrides 1970.
- Documents relating to The Pacific Theological College, Fiji, 1970(?).
AU PMB MS 1386
Title: Journal, research notes and correspondence from the New Hebrides
Date(s): 1858-1891 (Creation) John G. Paton
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Rev. Dr. John Gibson Paton (24 May 1824 – 28 Jan 1907), born in Scotland, was a Protestant missionary to the New Hebrides (Vanuatu). He was the eldest of 11 children of James and Janet Paton. Paton grew up in Dumfriesshire in Scotland and later studied theology and medical studies in Glasgow. On 23 March 1858 Paton was ordained by the Reformed Presbyterian Church. On 2 April 1858 Paton married Mary Ann Robson and 14 days later, on 16 April, they set sail for the South Pacific. Rev. John G Paton and Mary Paton landed on Tanna, in the southern part of the New Hebrides on 5 November 1858 and built a small house at Port Resolution. Three months after their arrival, their first son, Peter Robert Robson was born on 12 February 1859. Just 19 days after, Mary Paton died from tropical fever. Young baby Peter died soon after at just 36 days of age. Paton worked on the island of Tanna and later Aneityum. From Aneityum, Rev. John G Paton travelled to Australia in 1862 and then Scotland to address meetings and raise funds in aid of the mission. He inspired hundreds of other missionaries to take up the cause of Christianity. Whilst in Scotland, Rev. John G Paton married Margaret (Maggie) Whitecross on 17 June 1864. Rev. John G Paton and Maggie arrived back in the New Hebrides in August 1866 and established a new Mission station on Aniwa Island, near to Tanna. They lived in a small hut whilst they built a house for themselves and two houses for orphan children. Later, a church, printing house and other buildings were erected. Maggie Paton bore 10 children on the island of Aniwa, 4 of whom died in early childhood or infancy. Their fourth son, Frank Hume Lyall Paton, later followed them as a missionary in the New Hebrides. Another son, Rev. Frederick James Paton (1867-1941) was also a Presbyterian missionary on Malekula Island in the New Hebrides. Rev. John G Paton learned the local language and later translated the New Testament into the Aniwan language. Maggie Paton taught women and girls craft, singing and reading. Both Rev. John G Paton and Maggie Paton trained native teachers who were later sent to the villages to preach the gospel, translated, printed and taught the Scriptures, ministered to the sick and dying, taught the practical use of tools and held worship services. In 1899 Rev. G Paton saw his Aniwa New Testament printed and the establishment of missionaries on twenty-five of the Southern New Hebrides. Paton continued to tour Australia, New Zealand, Britain and the United States in mission interests, and later in life he became involved in the debate on the future of the New Hebrides. Maggie Paton died at the age of 64 on 16 May 1905 in Kew, Victoria, Australia. Rev. John G Paton died at the age of 82 on 28 January 1907 in Canterbury, Victoria, Australia.

AU PMB MS 1387
Title: Journals and correspondence from the New Hebrides
Date(s): Sep 1870 – Nov 1943 (Creation) Margaret (Maggie) Whitecross Paton
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 1386. Maggie Paton’s Letters and sketches from the New Hebrides was edited by her brother-in-law Rev. Jas. Paton and published in 1895. Contents include: Journal, Sep 1870 – Mar 1872; Journal, Feb 1874 – Nov 1875; and correspondence from Minnie Paton to William (Wilfred) Frederick Paton (Oct 1942), including “some of Fred’s jokes” and small excerpts transcribed from Maggie Whitecross’ journals.

AU PMB MS 1389
Title: Correspondence and diaries from time in the New Hebrides as a medical missionary at the Paton Memorial Hospital
Date(s): 1965-1976 (Creation) Dr. Ted (Edward) Freeman
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: E.A. (Ted) Freeman O.A.M. served, with his wife Dorothy, as a medical missionary under the Australian Presbyterian Board of Missions in the New Hebrides from 1963-1970. During this time he worked as a medical superintendent at the Paton Memorial Hospital. Whilst in the New Hebrides, Ted often worked in difficult situations. He attended to many different kinds of medical emergencies, established a blood bank, updated anesthetic procedures, taught family planning and supervised the training of many local and expatriate doctors and nurses whilst working in the New Hebrides. See also PMB Photo 61 for digitised slides of Freeman’s time whilst working as a medical missionary in the New Hebrides.
AU PMB MS 1390
Title: Selected archives
Date(s): 1848-1974 (Creation) Church of Melanesia (Anglican Church in the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Norfolk Island, New Zealand and Australia)
Extent and medium: 6 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 1301. These microfilms contain documents in the pre-1975 archives of the Church of Melanesia were deposited on 2-4 Feb 1981 and are now held in the National Archives of the Solomon Islands. The documents copied include:

- news cuttings of Bishop Walter Badley (1926-1953),
- ephemera (Bishop Chisholm (1967-1972),
- Charles Fox Lord of the Southern Isles),
- Melanesian Mission, Sydney correspondence with Miss H.R. Blake,
- Melanesian Mission miscellaneous correspondence (1860-1940),
- Maps of Melanesia, 1947,
- Melanesian Mission General Secretary’s correspondence ‘English Correspondence’ (1921-1931),
- Melanesian Mission Trust Board (N.Z.) correspondence (1928-1963),
- Honiara Cathedral correspondence (1961-1970),
- Australian Board of Mission correspondence (1931-1974),
- New Zealand Anglican Board of Mission correspondence (1926-1928, 1950-1965),
- New Hebrides correspondence (1955-1970),
- Registers of the Church of St Barnabas, Alanguala, Ugi (1948-1954),
- Church of Melanesia Synod Minutes (1953-1965),
- Raverare Gagang Melanesian Mission Church calendar in the Mota language (1939-1957),
- Sala Usuri (issues missing from PMB Doc 215),
- Legal papers (1880’s-1960’s),
- George Hammond Tarr Ten thousand miles away with the Southern Cross (1921-1936).

PMB Document Series of Microfilms

AU PMB DOC 33
Title: Monthly Messenger and Missionary Record, Presbyterian Churches of Victoria and Tasmania articles on the Pacific Islands: Presbyterian Churches of Victoria and Tasmania
Date(s): Oct 1881 - Oct 1885 (Creation) Monthly Messenger and Missionary Record, Presbyterian Churches of Victoria and Tasmania
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Most of the articles, extracted from vols. 2-5, concern the New Hebrides. Bibliographic listing of contents appears at the beginning of the film: the articles follow.

AU PMB DOC 34-40
Date(s): July 1893-Spring 1967 (Creation) Quarterly Jottings from the New Hebrides - John G. Paton Mission Fund
Extent and medium: 7 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Early issues published under the title New Hebrides South Sea Island Quarterly Jottings of the John G. Paton Mission Fund, edited by Rev. James Paton, a member of the Paton family which was very active for many years in the New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission. Place of publications and publishing body vary. For further details and contents see R. Langdon (ed) An index to Quarterly Jottings from the New Hebrides ... (Canberra: PMB, 1988).

AU PMB DOC 62-98
Title: Les Missions Catholiques Lyon: Oeuvre de la Propagation de la Foi
Date(s): 1868-1950 (Creation) Les Missions Catholiques
Extent and medium: 36 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Published weekly, then fortnightly, then monthly, with annual index usually in the last issue for the year. Numerous articles and news items relating to French Catholic missions in the Pacific Islands. Those relating to French Pacific islands are indexed in the bibliographies of P. O'Reilly.

**AU PMB DOC 174-179**
Date(s): 1853-1940 (Creation) Annales des Missions de la Societe de Marie, Afterwards Annales des Mission de L'Oceanie
Extent and medium: 5 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Published mainly for circulation among members of the Society of Mary. Consists chiefly of letters from Marist missionaries in the field. Changed title to Annales des Missions de L'Oceanie in 1896. Articles relating to French Pacific islands are indexed in P. O'Reilly bibliographies. See also PMB DOC 180 and 194-198.

**AU PMB DOC 180**
Title: Correspondence des Premiers Missionaires. Annales des Missions de L'Oceanie Lyons: Societe de Marie, 1895
Date(s): 1837-1855 (Creation) Correspondance des premiers missionnaires. Annales des Missions de L'Oceanie
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Supplementary volume to the Annales des Missions ... (see PMB Doc 174 and 194-198) containing letters written by the first Marist missionaries in the Pacific 1837-1855.

**AU PMB DOC 194-198**
Title: Annales des Missions de la Societe de Marie, Afterwards Annales des Mission de L'Oceanie Lyons: Societe de Marie, 1853-1921
Date(s): 1877-1913 (Creation) Annales des Missions de la Societe de Marie, Afterwards Annales des Mission de L'Oceanie
Extent and medium: 5 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB DOC 174 and 180 for details.

**AU PMB DOC 207**
Title: Dubois L.L. (Ed) Father Lettres aux missionaries. Rome: Marist Fathers. Nos 1-68
Date(s): 1 September 1925 - 28 May 1941 (Creation) Father Dubois L.L. (ed)
Extent and medium: 4 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Newsletter, irregular, containing news and articles relating to Marist missions and missionaries in the Pacific Islands. Nos 36, 57, 62 and 68 were not available for microfilming.

**AU PMB DOC 208**
Title: Vidal Julian Bishop Pastoral and circular letters. Suva?: the Mission?. Nos 1-75, 1888 - 1918
Date(s): 29 May 1888 - 12 November 1918 (Creation) Bishop Julian Vidal
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Most of the letters were printed on the Mission press.

**AU PMB DOC 209**
Title: Nicolas Charles Joseph Bishop circular letters. Suva?: the Mission?. Nos 1-54, 30 Dec. 1918 - 20 June 1941
Date(s): 30 December 1918 - 20 June 1941 (Creation) Bishop Nicolas Charles Joseph
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Most of the letters were printed on the Mission press. Lacks No.15 which does not seem to have been issued.
AU PMB DOC 210
Title: Roman Catholic Mission Fiji Bulletin du vicariat. Suva: the Mission
Date(s): June 1891 - August 1894 (Creation) Roman Catholic Mission Fiji
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm

AU PMB DOC 211
Date(s): August 1936 - July 1952 (Creation) Roman Catholic Mission Fiji
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Official organ of the Roman Catholic Vicariate in Fiji. Reel 1: Vol 1(1) - Vol 8(12). Reel 2: Vol 9(1) - Vol 16(12)

AU PMB DOC 212
Title: Poncet Alexandre Bishop Histoire succincte de L
Date(s): 1967? (Creation) Bishop Alexandre Poncet
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Bishop Poncet, first Vicar Apostolic of Wallis and Futuna, was consecrated Bishop in Tonga in March 1936. He arrived at Wallis Island in the following May and remained there until 1962. The second volume of the Histoire de l'ile Wallis by Bishop Poncet was published by the Societe des Oceanistes, Paris, in 1972. This first volume has not been published: it is cyclostyled on quarto pages. The last date mentioned in the work is 23 April 1967.

AU PMB DOC 213
Title: Miscellaneous printed documents relating to Fiji and other Pacific Islands
Date(s): 1888-1938 (Creation) Miscellaneous Printed Documents Relating to Fiji and Other Pacific Islands
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description:
1. 'Le Sacre de Mgr Julien Vidal' par un Temoin Oculaire (Lyons, 1888):
2. 'Trois Mois a Fidji' by Father D. Duclos, SM (Loreto, Fiji (1904)):
3. 'Quarante Quatre Ans a Fidji' (Loreto, Fiji (1926)):
4. 'Correspondence between His Excellency George William des Voeux, CMG, &c. &c., Lieutenant-Governor of Fiji and the Trustees of (Methodist) Mission Lands in Fiji (printed 'for private circulation only' n.d.):
5. 'Elephantiasis and Filariasis in Fiji' by Basil M. Wilson, MB (Levuka, 1909):
6. 'Fiji for the Fijians: A Protest and a Plea', by G.L. Barrow (Korelavu, Fiji, October 1921):
7. 'Fiji for the Fijians: A Further Appeal,' by G.L. Barrow (? , November 1922):
8. 'Regles du Savoir-Vivre chez les Fijians de Kadavu', by Father R.-L. Jarre, SM (Extract from the 'Revue d'Histoire des Missions', September 1938):
9. 'Fiji Tourist Gazette', vol.4, no.31 (Suva, July 1928):
10. 'The Truth About Samoa', by O.F. Nelson (Auckland, 1928):
12. 'Apercu sur la Religion des Indigenes de l'Ile Malo, Nouvelle Hebrides', (Extract from 'l'Echo de la France Catholique', St Louis, 9 December 1893 and 3 February 1894):
13. 'Memorandum du Modus Vivendi conclu avec les Autorites du Gouvernement Anglais' (Suva, 1904) (Concerns the Gilbert Islands):
14. 'Lettre du Vicaire Apostolique des Nouvelles-Hebrides aux Missionnaires, Pretres, Freres et Soeurs, a l'Occasion du 25th Anniversaire de la Consitution de la Mission' (Vila, 1926). [This material is held in the Roman Catholic Archdiocesan Office, Suva, Fiji]

AU PMB DOC 215
Title: O Sala Ususur Honiara, Solomon Islands: Melanesian Mission Press
Date(s): 1907, 1922-41, 1954-57 (Creation) O Sala Ususur
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Pre-World War II issues are in the Mota language of the Solomon Islands: post war issues are half in English.

AU PMB DOC 216
Title: Melanesian Mission The island voyage
Date(s): 1874-1877 (Creation) Melanesian Mission
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Printed accounts of the annual voyages of the Melanesian Mission vessel Southern Cross to Norfolk Island, the Banks Group and Solomon Islands.

AU PMB DOC 217
Title: New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission Synod minutes
Date(s): 1900-1948 (Creation) Presbyterian Church of the New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Printed record of Synod proceedings.

AU PMB DOC 218
Title: New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission Annual reports
Date(s): 1871-1901 (Creation) Presbyterian Church of the New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm

AU PMB DOC 219
Title: New Hebrides Presbyterian Mission Minutes of the General Assembly
Date(s): 1950-1974 (Creation) Presbyterian Church of the New Hebrides
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: N/A

AU PMB DOC 459
Title: The New Hebrides Magazine. A journal of the missionary and general information regarding the islands of the New Hebrides (Sydney)
Date(s): Oct 1900 - Oct 1911 (Creation) Foreign Missions Committee of the Presbyterian Church in Victoria
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Early issues of the New Hebrides Magazine were edited by Dr William Gunn of Aneityum and promoted by Rev. Dr Robertson of Erromanga under the auspices of the Foreign Missions Committee of the Presbyterian Church in Victoria. Dr Gunn also printed some of the early issues. The Synod then decided that the journal should be printed in Australia. A few issues were printed in Sydney, but after 1905 it was printed by Arbuckle, Waddell & Fawckner in Melbourne. In 1905 Rev. T Wattlegatt of Malekula became Editor for about three years, but he moved to Victoria in 1906 and as he felt out of touch with the New Hebrides resigned as Editor. Rev. F H L Paton, Foreign Missions Secretary of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria then took over as Editor. The New Hebrides Magazine was succeeded by Our Missionaries at work : a journal of missionary information (Vol.1, no.1-Vol.6, no.4, Dec 1911-Oct 1917) issued by the Presbyterian Church in Victoria. Nos.1-41, Oct 1900 - Oct 1911.
AU PMB DOC 472
Title: Kweli Times: a short history of the Apostolic Church Vanuatu 1946-1965
Date(s): 2002 (Creation) Paul and Dulcie Grant
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: This rare book is an account of the development of an independent ni-Vanuatu church, established in West Ambae by Peter Pentecost around 1901 and, after his death, led by Joe Lulu, Bihu and other elders. After the War, missionaries from the Apostolic Church, Allan and Daisy Mann, Inger Christensen, Frank and Molly Thompson, and Paul and Dulcie Grant, and others, connected with the independent church. The Ambae church was re-established as part of the Apostolic mission, under the leadership of Lulu of Wahala, Bihu of Vilakalaka, Samson of Tavala and Aaron of Halalulu. Links were forged with an Apostolic mission in Lugenvalle, Santo, which eventually merged with the Ambae church to form the Apostolic Church New Hebrides in 1976. Paul and Dulcie Grant, Kweli Times: A Short History of the Apostolic Church Vanuatu 1946-1965, Coopers Plains, Queensland, 2002; 58pp., illus.

AU PMB DOC 491
Title: Les Missions Catholiques Lyon: Oeuvre de la Propagation de la Foi 1904-1905
Date(s): 1904-1905 (Creation) Les Missions Catholiques
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: For details see PMB DOC 62. Contains issues for 1904-1905.

AU PMB DOC 499
Title: One Bread (The Bulletin of the Anglican Church in the New Hebrides)
Date(s): Feb 1974 - Nov 1979 (Creation) One Bread (The Bulletin of the Anglican Church in the New Hebrides)
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Published at Lolowai, Aoba, Vanuatu. Edited by Archdeacon Derrick Rawcliffe. Nos. 1-27.

AU PMB DOC 521
Title: Reo Pasifika. Voice of the Pacific. La Voix du Pacifique
Date(s): 1980 (Creation) Reo Pasifika. Voice of the Pacific. La Voix du Pacifique
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Reo Pasifika. Voice of the Pacific. La Voix Du Pacifique, Journal of the Pacific Churches Research Centre, Port Vila; edited by Rev. Brian Macdonald-Milne, No.1, 1980. See PMB 1333 for records relating to the Pacific Churches Research Centre. This is a rare copy of Reo Pasifika. Voice of the Pacific. La voix du Pacifique, No.1, 1980, journal of the Pacific Churches Research Centre, Port Vila, in English and French; edited by Rev. Brian Macdonald-Milne. It is likely that there was only ever one issue of Reo Pasifika published. This issue includes articles by Sir John Guise on Christianity in PNG and by Grace Mera Molisa on women in Vanuatu. There are also two articles on Pacific archives administration: one by Fr. Theo Cook SM on the Marist archives in the Pacific and the other by Rev. Brian Macdonald-Milne reporting on PEACESAT discussions on Pacific archives administration held in 1978 and 1979.