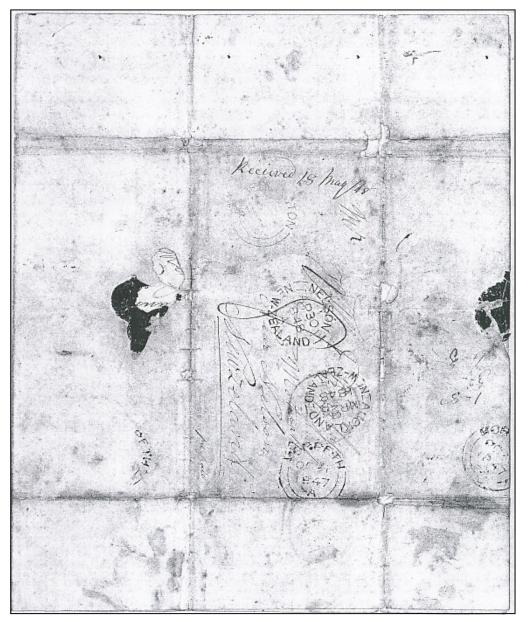


Above is the "envelope" for the letter on the following pages. Another letter written by Archibald Brown from Bedlington, England. The letter was written from Bedlington, Saturday 29 November 1845. Archibald would not have realised that William and Mary had not even received his previous letter written on 31 July 1845. According to the date stamps this letter was posted and paid for on **Dec 5 1845**. It is also date stamped **MORPETH Dec 1845**. The next date stamp indicated its arrival in New Zealand either June or July 1846 and Nelson some time after that. It is probable that this was the letter as reported as being held in the Unclaimed Letter Office as in the newspaper report on page xxxxx

Dear Brother & Sister Staterday Ballington Sov. 29. 1845 para that I sent I hope you have not the letter & new you will know that I west to deep up a last if you have to deep up a higalor indunce they writing every 3 months you will have I am a moth dehind my time he cause we have been working often to & which at night in are very busy here present there's more work going on here then The radioay's white friencist they are comenced with one between seweasthe and t acount farm servant are wadges as high as the in for the winter halfy in machanick was jes are from it to at per week the want the work politic done than hands to do it but I supere it is agains. course gathings for to continue amples The consumption of non must the very gr cannot in system the number of time the manufactured here weekly but there is h and a roling mill on night and day and all other places are talike has They have huilt an iron house here the roof is 55 ft span suported upon ison arches its instended for a very large forg it is a patter the hamisuit & worked by the sillender is perfundicular above the hammore the piston and is pasterned to the hamand of course moves up and lown with the driston rod the himmer will he about 3 ton. which can come with all its wings or that lightly so it will not wack a nut. they will can make shafts as thick and as long as the largest their that would This contry man was indeed made agright that but he has found out many inventions.

Him give you on harticulars about your. quadritances in this neighbourhood I dent to e other week to scotland but I have no have had The potatoe croses nd the principle food too the continual wet has are seling at so in the spring of the year it is though higher the turnip crops will he a great to is said to be inferior the corn and the has hurned onta good avalige crop the news paper will give you the price of various commodathes I have sent for the Seweasth cronicle which I exspect to night on the of every month from La 12000 miles is a long our day of unders tarre it now the weather at present is very for the season I think New realand mus muth warmer than here and is far more favourable for the human fram in chargose the natives are not so decrepe as in

The expect to have on Monday they in a mother Missionary meeting our minister the preshieen done and (I seemed the d. ordian Newspaper which is h. starfe pur Know that a very shary basher A



Above is the "envelope" for the letter from Archibald Brown written Bedlington, September 24 1847. Address to: Mr. William Douglas, Motuaka, near Nelson, New Zealand. Archibald Brown had obviously learnt that if you endorse the envelope "near Nelson" it will get their quicker! The postmarks on this letter indicate that it was initially post-stamped Bedlington and then MORPETH Oct 1847. The next post stamp is AUCKLAND NEW ZEALAND MAR 28 1848. From Auckland, the letter took over a month to get to Nelson. The next poststamp is NELSON AP 30 1848 NEW ZEALAND. It would appear that "someone" and it may even be William Douglas, has written received 18 May 48 on the envelope. In the bottom right hand corner there is a comment "*pre paid*". This letter took 9 months to reach its destination. On the follow three pages are copies of the originals. On pages xxxxx the letter has been transcribed.

Dedlington Dap. 24. 1847. Jan g bad to ten asting joy I rejected the now That ther days and so misspendings the Lords day one ver Enjones and railway make tending Lago consisting 141,000 acres of land

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have got the stews paper the first thing my lyes upon was Sewten land and vory to see the lamentable account the distriction of human life and inul conclution of the the to me I feel for more ung for I have no idea ha must be mantained by Anterica is the rower of country it alth executing Grand Ther s land is very prosity Malia for ady and to send it on monday send our frantenal ingioniting we all send our kindest love to Mary and yourse so Iremain your afectionate brands Archi, Brown