

Oriental

Barque: 506 tons

Captain: William Wilson

Surgeon Superintendent: Arthur Kemball

Sailed Plymouth Tuesday, June 22, 1841 - Arrived Port Nicholson, Friday, October 22, 1841.

Arrived New Plymouth, Sunday, November 7, 1841

The Oriental, 506 tons, Captain William Wilson, the third of the barques chartered by the NZ company, sailed from Plymouth on June 22, 1841, and arrived at New Plymouth on November 7, after having first called at Port Nicholson. There were only 90 emigrants aboard, and only one cabin passenger - Mr Charles Armitage Brown, the friend of Keats, the poet. Sixteen other cabin passengers had left the ship at Port Nicholson, as they did not like the reports they heard about Taranaki. The Oriental had a fine weather passage from the Old Land. As she had so few passengers and little cargo beyond the belongings of the passengers, she got quick discharge, but nevertheless she very nearly met the same fate as the Regina. Apparently, there was some trouble with the crew, and in weighing anchor the orders of the Captain were not properly carried out. The barque was perilously near the shore, at one time being about half a cable's length off, but fortunately the anchors held when promptly dropped. Captain Liardet then went aboard and skilfully worked the vessel out of her difficult position. As it was she struck the bottom two or three times, but no serious damage was done.
White Wings - Sir Henry Brett

The WILTON Family arrived in Port Nicholson aboard this vessel.

Our sincere thanks to John Offord for transcribing this list.

<i>Name</i>		<i>Age</i>	<i>Occupation</i>	<i>Comments</i>
<i>Cabin Passengers</i>				
Turner	W D	25	Gentleman	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
	Mrs	20		
Virtue	G B	24	Gentleman	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
Schroder	G W	27	Gentleman	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
Brown	Charles Armitage	60	Gentleman	
Knowles	Henry S	47	Gentleman	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
	Mrs	34		
	Henry H	8		
	Francis W	7		
	Arthur	5		
	John	3		
	Walter	1		
Kemball	Arthur C	39	Surgeon on board	
Beenlen	Richard	35	Gentleman	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
Distin	John	38	Gentleman	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
	John S	13		
Polhill	Baker	50	Gentleman	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
<i>Steerage Passengers</i>				
Street	Joseph	40	Carpenter	
	Mary	40		
	John	15		
	Ann	12		
	Richard	9		
	Joseph	7		
	Jacob	6		
	Romulus	1		

Pattimore	William	33	Labourer			
	Eliza	32				
	Elizabeth	7				
	Mary	5				
	Jacob	3				
	Joseph	11 months				
Bishop	John	34	Labourer			
	Charlotte	34				
	John	10				
	Walter	8				
	Benjamin	7				
	James	5				
	Emily	3				
	Thurza	11 months				
	Albert	Infant			Born at sea	
	Lander	Richard		37	Labourer	
		Jane		31		
Eliza Jane		9				
Thomas		9				
Fanny		6				
John		4				
Philp	John	50	Builder			
	Margery	40				
	Elizabeth	21				
	Richard	18				
	Louisa	18				
	Frances	17				
	William Henry	11				
	Mary Jane	9				
Jonas	Matthew	39	Labourer			
	Elizabeth	37				
	John	13				
	Elizabeth	8				
	Mary	5				
	Matthew	4				
	Jane	2				
Broadmore	George	30	Sawyer			
	Alice	30				
Lethbridge	Richard	44	Labourer			
	Louisa	40				
	George	20				
	Thomas	18				
	Richard	15				

	Mary	13		
	Emily	10		
	Edith	2		
Hunter	William	19	Labourer	
	Hannah	21		
Davies	Thomas	33	Tailor	From Helston in Cornwall
	Ellen	30		
	Thomas	7		
	Pascoe	1		
Hellier	John	38	Lime Burner	
	Elizabeth	36		
	Thomas	15		
	William	13		
	Sarah	11		
	Elizabeth	9		
	Susan	7		
	Ann	5		
	John	2		
Robinson	George	44	Builder	
	Mary	35		
Heale	Thomas	28	Miner	
	Susan	27		
	Richard	8		
	William	7		
	Jane	3		
	Mary	1		
Hancock	John	25	Labourer	
	Elizabeth	21		
	John	11		
Scutchings	James	37	Gardener	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
	Jane	38		
	Jane	10		
	Charles	7		
	Benjamin	6		
	Ellen	2		
George	William	27	Blacksmith	
	Ann	26		
	Ann Bennett	7		
	Georgiana	5		
	William Henry	3		
	Thomas John	10 months		
Cooper	Samuel	40	Tailor	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
	Elizabeth	35		

	Charlotte	16		
	Thomas	14		
	Mary Ann	12		
	Betsy	9		
	James	5		
	Frederick	6 months		
Wilton	Robert	39		Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
	Elizabeth	36		
	Elijah	14		
	Charles	11		
	William	11		
	Thomas	9		
	Job	7		
	Frances	1		
Williams	William	30	Labourer	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
	Mary	30		
	William	12		
	Thomas	10		
	Amy	8		
	Daniel	5		
	Mary Ann	3		
	Infant			
Hurlstone	Christopher	45	Labourer	
	Maria	20		
	William	11		
	Mary Ann	9		
	Christopher	7		
Watts	William	45		Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
	Sophia	45	Labourer	
	Jane	21		
	Ann	19		
	Matilda	17		
	Edward	15		
	John	12		
	Elizabeth	10		
	Henry	8		
	Hannah	8		
	Daniel	5		
	Jesse	2		
Smith	James	28	Labourer	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
	Elizabeth	27		
	Sarah	7		
	Henry	3		

	John	1		
Foreman	Richard	43	Shoemaker	
	Susannah	47		
	David	18		
	Richard	17		
	James	17		
	Stephen	17		
	Henry	15		
	James	12		
	Thomas	13		
	Edward	11		
	Harriet	10		
	William	8		
	Ann	7		
	Eliza	5		
Pote	Ann	33	Servant	
	MaryAnn	10		
	Jemima	8		
Henna	John	27		
Skinner	Thomas	28		
Vallack	Jane	23		
Sanders	John	43	Labourer	
	William	42	Shipwright	
	William Henry	16	Wheelwright	
Brett	George	21	Lawyer	
Coulls	Daniel	50	Blacksmith	
Eva	Phillip	19	Mason	
Stag	Jane	21	Servant	
Ashton	Mary	56	Servant	
Coulls	Mary	20	Servant	
Lumsden	William	28	Gardener	Disembarked at Wellington 27/10/1841
	Emma	22		
George	William	50	Miner	
	Jane	49		
	Mary	26	Servant	
	Susan	21	Servant	
	Matilda	17	Servant	
Shute	Thomas William	27	Labourer	

WILTON family:

Robert and his Elizabeth Wilton and their family were bound for New Plymouth and arrived enroute at Wellington on the "Oriental" in 1841. It was here that the family disembarked because of the health of Elizabeth who had suffered badly during the voyage from England. Today the name Wilton is widely known throughout Wellington and the Wairarapa and it is probable that the descendants of Robert and Elizabeth form New Zealand's largest family. - A substantial project is underway to trace all the known descendants of Robert and Elizabeth and at the present time

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DAVIES family:

Thomas DAVIES, a tailor from Helston, Cornwall, with his wife Ellen (nee CADDY) & sons Thomas and Pascoe arrived in New Plymouth aboard the ship *Oriental*. Children Louisa, James, Elizabeth & William were all born in New Plymouth. If you have a connection with this family or would like to learn more contact [Pam Reynolds](mailto:Pam.Reynolds@xtra.co.nz).

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