

that the copper plate was revised and impressions made other than those listed 1 to 6 in the accompanying table. If other examples previous to 1841 come to light, careful examination should be carried out to check for states additional to states 1 to 6. The above comments do not mean that less attention should be paid to a search for states of 1841 and later, additional to those listed in the accompanying table. As there is no way of knowing whether Wyld first altered the date before making internal changes to the copper plate only a careful check of different impressions showing the same date would reveal whether they are in fact the same state or different states. We have the evidence of two different issues dated 1840.

In the original chart four insets were included. With state 5 in 1840 the insets increased to seven. Some of the insets were updated. The Port Nicholson inset plan, for example, has a vague broken outline of a plan in state 5; by state 20 in 1860 it has a detailed plan. R. V. Tooley in his *The Mapping of Australia* (London, 1979), pages 172-173, lists some changes and additions in the different issues. At times the alterations were substantial; Tooley mentions that for the 1852 issue Stewart Island was redrawn.

It would be interesting to know the year of final issue. The Alexander Turnbull Library holds an issue dated 1865 and a print possibly issued in 1870. It seems fairly certain that by 1870 the copper plate was at the end or nearing the end of its life. By this time other publishers were producing maps of New Zealand from engraved steel plates and by lithography. In 1894 the London firm of G. W. Bacon acquired all the business, stock and goodwill which had belonged to James Wyld III. During World War II Bacon's premises were bombed and if anything of Wyld's remained by then it was lost. Probably the copper plate was discarded or beaten down soon after the last charts were printed.²³ In 1943 the map publishing firm of W. & A. K. Johnston took over what was left from Bacon's.²⁴

REFERENCES

- 1 Wyld published a larger unrelated chart of New Zealand in 1841. This article is concerned only with the 1834 chart and revised states.
- 2 The term 'edition' when related to maps and charts becomes confusing as can be seen by checking the state number against the 'edition' number in the table on p. 125. This article considers copper-engraved charts as art works and only uses the term 'edition' when referring directly to Wyld's use of the term. For clarification of the problem see Coolie Verner 'Carto-bibliographical Description: the Analysis of Variants in Maps Printed from Copperplates', *American Cartographer*, 1 (April 1974), 77-87.
- 3 p. 147.
- 4 p. 281.