

**U DX271**

**Local History research by Eric Harrison**

**20th cent.**

**Historical Background:**

Rev John Kendrick Archer was born in Leicestershire on 3 March 1865. He emigrated to New Zealand with his wife and two sons in 1908. He was a Baptist Minister in Napier (1908-1913), Invercargill (1913-1916), Wellington (1916-1919) and Sydenham (1919-1932) and served as President of the Baptist Union of New Zealand (1916-18). He was also an active supporter of the Labour Party serving as a Councillor for Invercargill Borough (1915-1916) Christchurch City Council (1921-1925 and 1931-1935). He was Vice President of the New Zealand Labour Party on three occasions (1922-1925, 1927-1928 and 1929-1931) and was President between 1928-1929. He stood for Parliament of New Zealand on four separate occasions - for Invercargill (1919), Christchurch North (1922 and 1928) and Kaiapoi (1931). He was Mayor of Christchurch from 1925 to 1931 and a member of the New Zealand Legislative Council from 1937 until his death on 25 July 1949.

**Custodial history:**

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**Description:** Small collection of local history notes material

**Extent:** 6 items

**Access conditions:**

Access will be granted to any accredited reader

U DX271/1	'History of Lindsey, AD 1 to 1900', by Eric Harrison Typescript notes includes some maps and extracts from sources 2 files	20th cent.
U DX271/2	'A report of the Tetney Agricultural Society (from 1854 onwards)', by Eric Harrison Typescript historical account 1 item	20th cent.
U DX271/3	'The role of the Justices of the Peace in Lincolnshire 1600-1650', by Eric Harrison Typescript notes includes list of Sheriffs of Lincolnshire 1600-1640. Also includes 'The draining of the Fens' historical notes focusing on the role played by Cornelius Vermuyden 2 items	20th cent.
U DX271/4	'John Kendrick Archer, Baptist minister, Christian Socialist, 1865-1949', by Eric Harrison Typescript biography of John Kendrick Archer 1 item	20th cent.