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Father is now living, and a most exemplary pious man. has walked in the fear of God for some years past. There are hopeful beginnings - God is raising up Children to Abraham from these Isles. This Settlement will prove a blessing to the surrounding nations. I often feel regret that I am so situated, have so much to do, and so many barriers in my way, that I cannot visit the Islands myself. I have so many claims upon my time - Perhaps a way will be opened in time for me to do this - Quaterra has sent me a fishing Net, and a Spear or Club, which I have committed to the care of Captain Reid for the Society - These were only to let me know that he had got Home - He put them on board a whaler, which met a vessel at sea coming to Port Jackson, and the Captain procured them to me. I beg you will present my kindest regards to the Society, and that every success may attend their Endeavors is the sincere Prayer
Rev. J. Pratt - of Dr. Sir your most obedient
Samuel Marsden