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In the Court of Criminal Jurisdiction
New South Wales

Gregory Blaxland of the Home bush farm in
the said Territory Esquire being duly sworn upon the Holy
Evangelists Matthew, Mark and John that he this DepONENT
has seen and read in the publick Newspaper called the
Sydney Gazette of the date of the fourth day of January
instant, a certain Letter addressed to the Editor of the Sydney
Gazette, and subscribed with the name or designation.

Alike free, a Letter at Bradley's Head, and Dated the
4th day of January 1818. In which Letter or publication is
contained among other things the following words. That is to say
"The active exertions of him who is the worthy head of these
Sectarian Visionaries or Missionaries (which ever you please
to call them) in propagating the Gospel by such means, and
transmission from time to time of Muskets and Cutlasses,
will no doubt redound much and highly to the honour of the
Christian Nation and of the Church so planted. whilst
the pecuniary advantage of the chosen few will not be
altogether overlooked." Those who bolt the Pork and profits
should in my opinion unbolt their Coffers and bear also
the expences of their Gospel Venders and Bacon Curers, and
for myself I shall be well content to see them possessed equally
of the exclusive honour of Evangelizing by such means the
New Zealanders, the Maoris, the Timoreans &c &c.

I do not wish to see man in every Garb or under any Mask
or pretence whatsoever, arrogate to themselves such consequential
airs of importance for acts of publick beneficence, which they
have never exhibited in their private Lives, still less if
possible in their publick Characters towards the abject Natives
of New South Wales. True it is that those people are
not yet qualified or enabled to make other returns than
those of humble gratitude and peaceful demeanour - and

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