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-pany him to New Zealand; in short the Mission-
-aries are forming intimate acquaintance with these
people: Duaterra has made great improvement of
his time, he has acquir'd much useful knowledge
while he has been with me, I have no doubt
but time will open a way for the Civilization of
these people: The missionaries will go on wherever
it is thought prudent for them to do so, they seem
to have no other wish. ["I have sown two acres
of Flax, which are ^{now} growing: as soon as this is ready,
it is my intention to set John King to teach the
New Zealanders, how to spin Line & make rope, as
this will apply to their immediate wants. Port
Jackson will be the proper place to begin the instruct-
-tion of these people, both in Religion, morals,
Arts, & Commerce. They are very attentive, sober,
& willing to learn all they can. I shall be happy
to have a School formed for them in this place,
where they may be taught every thing that may be
of use to them, in their present state: I mean the
simple Mechanics, Agriculture & the knowledge
of the Scriptures. ["Nothing can be ^{effectually} done with the
natives of the South Sea Islands, ~~effectually~~ without
the means of keeping up a constant communication
with them from Port Jackson. The missionaries
can neither be safe nor comfortable, without this. &
A communication cannot be maintained without a Ship.
~~I have written to Mr. Hurdcastle upon this subject, in~~
~~consequence of the missionaries from Tahiti being now~~
~~here, & wishing to return.~~ One Vessel, of about 150 or 200
Tons, would visit all the Islands in these Seas, be
a protection to the missionaries, & bring such natives
to & from Port Jackson as may from time to time
wish to go in her. & The produce of the Islands brought
to Port Jackson & sold, would pay all expences. & If
I had the means within my own power, I would not
hesitate one moment upon this plan. It is what
I have recommended for the last Ten Years, & I wish