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~~that~~ every opportunity which might occur of conversing with the <sup>New</sup> Zealanders and making a vocabulary of their words, you might be doing much to prepare yourself for settling among them when the way should be opened. What may be your circumstances when this Letter reaches you we cannot tell: but if you should be still in Parramatta, we shall request Mr Marsden by this conveyance, to grant you what you wish, that is some freedom from your manual labour that you may have leisure to prepare for your settling in New Zealand, provided there is any prospect of your doing this in a reasonable time

Mr Kendall will convey this letter to you. He and his family are to remain, as settlers, in N. S. Wales for 3 years, and then they will all join you, we suppose, in New Zealand. We send out a library by him, which is to be for the common use of the Settlers. You will, of course, avail yourselves of them in such manner as may be most accommodating to each other. Mr Kendall is to be considered as having the more immediate charge of them. We shall add to them from time to time; as we wish to maintain a useful library for the perpetual advantage of the Settlement which we hope, if not yet begun will be before this year expires

We wish you much to write frequently and fully to us. Tell us all that you wish and feel, respecting your situation and the objects before you. Be assured that we feel a sincere and affectionate interest in your comfort and welfare, and in the ultimate success of your endeavours, to promote the glory of God and the good of man

To Mr W. Hall and  
Mr. John King

Remember us very kindly to Mr. Hall  
and believe me, Dear Friends Very truly  
Yours Josiah Pratt