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Agent here for the Church Missionary Society which
is also composed of Noblemen, Clergy, and others, all
Members exclusively of the Established Church; it is
hoped that thro' the Bounty and patronage of this
Society the Inhabitants of New Zealand will receive
the Blessings of Civilization; I have been almost
twenty Years the Acting Director; of the London Missionary
Society for their Missionaries in the South Sea Islands.
This is one of the first Societies at present established in
the Empire; I am also appointed by the British and Foreign
Bible Society to distribute their Donations of Bibles and
Testaments to the Inhabitants of these Settlements; —
Your Excellency must be well aware that the Sydney
Gazette will fall into the hands of these public Bodies,
Any charge against me appearing in this paper will
carry with it a certain degree of public sanction as
the Sydney Gazette is published under the sanction
of Government; — many of the Members of these Societies
are my private friends and patrons, If it is admitted in
the smallest degree that I am capable of committing
such a Breach of public Faith and Confidence (as the
Author of the Anonymous papers alluded to, artfully
endeavouring to impress on the public mind) I
must be ruined in the good Opinion of these Societies
and all public Confidence in me will cease; —