

Rev. Samuel Marsden to the Secretary

40 Parramatta May 17. 1814 ^{May 17/14} 35

Dear Sir

Com. Nov. 14/14

Ans. Dec. 16/14, by the Northampton.

I mentioned in a former letter that I should draw upon the Society for the sum of £500 on Account of the Active - I have not drawn that sum yet. Should the Active return before I am compelled to draw for the money, I perhaps shall not draw upon the Society for any on her Account - If any unforeseen Circumstances should prevent the present Establishment of the mission I shall sell the Active on her return - She is wholly my own - and therefore I can dispose of her as I think proper - I will not draw if I can avoid it - I paid £500 at the time I purchased her and gave my note for £500 more on Demand - The Holder of the note has not demanded Payment yet, and may not till the vessel returns - She cost me more than £200 more to fit her for the voyage, which was more than I could well afford at the time - However she is gone, and I hope to have a good account, and then