

of very intelligent men. From my own observation of  
 the natives belonging to the different Islands in these seas  
 excepting the natives of New Holland, I think they are  
 originally the same People. Their Language being very  
 similar - Should the Natives of New Zealand in time  
 receive the Gospel all the other Islands may be expected  
 to receive its Blessings also. In my Opinion a very fair  
 Prospect is now opened, as ever was for any heathen nation  
 and I trust that the Divine Goodness will in his gracious  
 Providence order all things well. Great objects are seldom  
 obtained without great Sacrifices, and Difficulties. The civilization  
 of the natives of New Zealand, and the Introduction of the  
 Gospel amongst them is an important work of vast  
 magnitude. I have no doubt, but the work can be  
 accomplished. and I firmly believe the time is now at  
 hand. when Nehemiah & the Jews began to build the  
 walls of Jerusalem. "Sambalhet was wroth, and took great  
 indignation, and smothered him and the Jews." I have some Cause  
 to say, that Sambalhet is risen from the Dead. but faith and  
 Prayer will again build the walls of Jerusalem, even if we  
 are obliged to hold the Trowel in one Hand, and the Sword in  
 another - I am Sir your obed<sup>t</sup> humble serv<sup>t</sup>  
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