

Rev. S. Marsden to Genl.

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Dear Sir!

(Rec<sup>d</sup> March 8/15 by the Seringapatam Whaler

And<sup>d</sup> August 12/15, by the Ocean.

I judge it proper to give you my opinion of the Characters of the missionaries here; my Reason for doing this is, that when you receive their Reports from time to time, you may bear in mind their different Tempers, and make such allowances for human Weaknesses as Circumstances may require. Mr Kendall is a most valuable man - his Heart is wholly engaged in the work - he is making very considerable Progress in the Language, as some of the natives are always with him. His manners are mild - he is naturally kind, tender and affectionate; and will most assiduously attach the natives of New Zealand to him - He loves to be constantly with them, and can with ease meet their wishes - They all pay him the greatest Respect, and speak of him with the warmest Affection - If I inquire of the Chiefs how Mr Kendall treats them, their answer always is, "Mr Kendall is too good." The son of one of the Chiefs is now with him, and a brother of