

I distributed the greater part of your Tracts with which I was furnished before I left London amongst the different Schools in New South Wales through the medium of Mr Cooper. He is very active as a Minister and in my opinion would dispose of any Bibles, Testaments or Tracts which might be sent from England with great advantage.

Previous to my embarkation I placed my two daughters Susanna and Elizabeth under the care of Mr and Mrs Locking, the Master and Matron of the Female Orphan School at Sydney, and I intend to keep them there for the present. Several pious friends in New South Wales advised me to do this, and Mr Marsden now he has seen the manners and habits of the People of New Zealand recommends me to permit them to continue with Mrs Locking for two or three years to come. Their board education and clothing will cost me about forty five pounds per Annum. This is more than I can afford, and I submit it to your consideration whether any application ought to be made to the Committee on their account. I beg leave to refer you to the thirty third article in the Laws and regulations of the Society contained in the Report for the Year 1813. The Society allows me ten pounds each for Clothing per Annum. I shall have to pay out of my own private property about twenty five pounds yearly. Both Mr Pitt-Rivers and myself were very sorry to part with our children, but our friends urged reasons which I bear