

June 15

Societies - A vessel must be employed for New Zealand
for reasons stated in my public letter. but she might
visit the other missionaries at the same time and I have
no doubt but the London missionary Society would bear
any reasonable Expense for the Comfort of their
missionaries who are now labouring with much success
amongst the Heathen there. I cannot tell what the
~~annual~~ annual Expense would be to support a
vessel besides the Returns she would make. I think
it would not be more than five hundred Pounds, at
first her annual, and it might be less, or nothing
at all. The Returns of her Cargo might defray the
whole. I would pledge myself that the sum would not
exceed £500 for both Societies. At the same time
it would be prudent to ensure the Active for that
Service. - Her first Cost was £1100 Sterling, and her
outfit was about £500 more, as she was nearly
supplied with Stores at the time I purchased her.
I shall have occasion to write to Mr. Bunker, and
shall mention the above to him. will you have
the goodness to ensure the Active on my Account, and
let me know the amount of the Expense. I value
her in her present State at £1500.

I am

Dear Sir

yours affectionately

Rev. J. Pratt

Sam. Marsden