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Rev. Samuel Marsden to Sydney

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(Ans^d. Sep. 5/16, by the Sir Wm Bensley)

Dear Sir

I have sent a little of the New Zealand Flax Dressed and wrought in this Colony by a Prisoner Robert Williams, who understands the working of this Plant well, which will appear from the Specimens I have sent you - I have to request the Society will have the Goodness to recommend Rob^t. Williams, to the Kind Consideration of the Governor of this Colony, in order that he may obtain a mitigation of his Sentence, by which he would be enabled to visit New Zealand, and instruct the natives in Rope making &c -

Ms. Williams is a man of a good Character - I have the honor to be
 Dear Sir
 your most obed^t Servant
 Sam^l. Marsden