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J. Pratt to S. Marsden, 16 August 1815

C.M. House, London

August 16th, 1815

My Dear Sir

Since mine of the 12th I have conversed with M^r Youl on the best means of extending the influence of our Society in your quarter of the world. We thought that a Circular Letter addressed by me to the Clergy, with a copy of the "Spirit of British Missions" (of which six Copies are forwarded to you) with some Tracts and Papers, for yourself and the letters &c might have a good effect. I have accordingly directed a small packet to be made up with a Circular requesting co-operation with our designs, and have addressed one to each of the following clergy – Messrs Cowper, Cartwright, Fulton, Vale, and Knopwood. I have, however, requested M^r Youl to confer with you on the subject.

You will be glad to receive that worthy man back in the character of a brother Clergyman.

I am, Dear Sir,

Your affectionate friend,

(Signed) Josiah Pratt [f]

P.S. I send you some Tracts and Papers which may serve for distribution.

George Bruce, whom I mentioned in my last, has been refused a passage by Government, on the ground of representations unfavourable to his return from Governor Macquarie.

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Mr Youl will tell you of a clergyman named Holmes, an excellent man, who is thinking of coming out to you, to assist your designs.