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Sent, by Rev. John Ford, by the Ocean, Aug. 15.

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Secretary to Mr Kendall

C. M. House, London,

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My dear Sir

Since my last to you, of Dec 6/14,
by the Northampton, a duplicate of which was sent by
the Dawson, Jan 28/15, we have rec^d yours of March 25/15,
Sep 9/14, and Oct 3/14, with the curiosities, and ^{the} specimens
of Kingke's writing.

I have distributed all the curiosities,
as directed. We were much pleased with them. Kingke's
head, sent us by Mr Charles, attracts great attention.
Pray continue to send all that you can procure, for our
Museum, and give us a description of their use.

I refer you to my last for whatever respects
your mode of support. Doubtless the representatives of the
Society in ~~the~~ South Wales will consult, to the utmost,
your comfort and your peace. We are well aware that
human infirmity will discover itself in good men; and
we wish, therefore, that every reasonable provision should
be made for your living independent one of another, unless
in cases where you may of yourselves wish to live in
common.

Be so kind as to write all your New Zealand
words quite plain. The language being altogether unknown
to us, we cannot easily make out some of the words.

A man, named George Bruce, of whom
you have doubtless heard, has been frequently, with us.
We have clothed him and supported him for some weeks
and have placed him under instruction with the intention

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of obtaining from Government a passage for him to New South Wales in order that he might proceed to New Zealand; but, on application to Government on his behalf, we find that they have been cautioned by Gov.^r Macquarie from granting any facilities to his return: of course, the Society has withdrawn its protection from him.

The details which you will see in the Missionary Register present the necessity of my entering into them with you. I hope that you and our other friends will consider, that, if we do not enter into the particulars of our proceedings and our prospects, it is not that I do not take a sincere interest in your happiness, but that I can refer you to full and authentic documents.

Your letters have awakened much hope and expectation in us that it will please God to open a way for his Gospel by your means among the New Zealanders. Go on in faith and patience, studying to live in Christian harmony and peace and the God of peace will be with you. You may not see much fruit of your labours for some time, or you may even lie down in your graves before any great effect of our exertions become visible; yet your labours shall not be lost, nor shall you fail of their gracious reward.

The Rev Mr Youl, who takes charge of this Letter, has obtained orders in England, and returns as Chaplain at Port Dalrymple. We send a considerable quantity of Tools &c for the use of the Settlement.

We shall hope to hear that you have made proficiency in the New Zealand tongue; and that

The way will be thus prepared by you for the Translation of the Scriptures, when you are joined by a Clergyman who understands the originals. In the mean while we hope that you will prepare portions of Scripture, as well as you may be able; and that the little New Zealanders will, under your kind and paternal care, first learn the rudiments of their own tongue out of the Book of God.

The Bibles &c for Mr Cooper, and the Stationery for yourself, we will supply by the next opportunity.

We have sent the N. Register as before, to Mr Marsden, and have requested him to forward copies to you with Magazines, Newspapers &c. as I concluded that a Society has been formed, or will be formed, in New South Wales, auxiliary to ours, it will be best to consign all goods, books &c, to the officers of the Society, to be forwarded to you. I have addressed Letters, by Mr Youl, to all the Chaplains in New South Wales, requesting their co-operation. Their hands will be strengthened, I hope, ere long, by an able and excellent Clergyman of the name of Holmes, who is a man of some fortune, and is bent on joining Mr Marsden & aiding his exertions.

Mrs Pratt unites with me in kind regards to yourself, and Mrs Kendall. Your brother, as you will see by a letter sent by Mr Youl, wishes to

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with earnest prayers for your happiness
and that of your family, and for the success of
your labours.

I remain, my dear Sir,
your affectionate Friend,
signed Josiah Pratt