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Rev<sup>d</sup> Dear Sir Having received your kind and interesting letter with the property within mentioned and your favour of the extra expenses for which I return my sincerest thanks — On account of our Timber being all wrought up at Tiffonah we then experienced the great <sup>difficulty</sup> in procuring any more on account of the distance, and the shynef existing between different parties of Natives — After some serious reflection and deliberation, Mr Kendall and I agreed to remove the Settlement to a place called Wythagee being about five or six miles from Tiffonah and that much nearer the Timber ground, being the most eligible place for a Settlement in all the Bay of Islands — Where Mr Kendall and I purchased fifty Acres of Land upon the Society's account in consideration for which we gave five Axes — the Land here is level and the Soil good is is overgrown with fern and small Brush which is cleared off with very little trouble — We can have plenty of fine Timber brought here by the Natives, — they fall it themselves and float it down the River with their Canoes — large logs of pine fit for Masts or yards of Vessels or any other purpose