

Rev. David Mayden to Secretary

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Dear Sir

After closing my letters
and sending off the case I have mentioned
to the Com. I am sorry to inform
you the Com. member Lieut. Foster
has refused to take it - and has returned
it to me - I write to you upon the
subject but to no purpose - I will
send it by the first conveyance -
There are also a few things from
Messrs Kendall and Hall but none
of them are come. I have not known
an instance before, where any
thing of the kind was refused to be
taken from this Colony -

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I was very desirous that these things
should come, and hope an opportunity
will soon offer to forward them -
when you send any Gills, Fish Hooks
and such small things, be so good
as to have them put up in small
Tin Cases, most of the Fish Hooks
and Gills were much injured that
came out in the Ocean as they were
only wrapped up in Paper, and put
into an old Cask - The Salt water
got to them, and most of the other
things in Case N^o 12. and damaged
them much. In so long a Voyage
It would be well to put up every
Article of value in good Iron bound
Casks, that the water could not enter.

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The medicines which should have come in the northampton never arrived nor were they entered in the manifest of that vessel.

In order to remove the cuming of such natural productions, of the South Sea Islands and of that as I am able to collect for the Society which will not be much, as they will at all times be contained in a small case, I think Permission might be obtained from the Commissioners of the Transport Office for me to ship them on board any vessel sailing under their orders. The case I wanted now to send was not more than 18 inches wide, and 18 deep, and about 3 feet long. The Case was made by feet Gaster, belongs to the Transport Office

I shall send the case by way of India if I
can -

I am
Dr Sir

Your most obedient
humble servant
Saml. Marsden

Rev G. Scott