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in the Day time, at least those that are very young. We can
never collect them together regularly every day, or keep them
after they are collected without we have vituals to give them.
A portion of rice or any thing that can be procured at a
low price at Pat Jackson with such other necessary provisions
as we can obtain from the natives will do very well
provided there is no private Trade carried on amongst
us, and the settlement is put upon a regular ration, as
the surplus of the pork, potatoes, &c. might then go towards
the support of the school. But if private trade is carried
on, and persons here import articles of Barter from England
or Pat Jackson exclusive of what is sent for the general
support of the settlement, we must depend chiefly upon
receiving supplies for the school from Pat Jackson. Some
trifling articles to present as rewards occasionally to these
poor children would have a good effect. The authority
of a teacher must be maintained and his influence
promoted amongst the children under his care. The heart
which God has graciously filled with compassion for the
heathen will bear with patience their rude manners,
but will desire nevertheless to improve them. When