

I am as the Secretary of this Government the Censor of its Press, I do not think that it is in this stage of the business at all incumbent on me to attempt procuring him any friendly explanation to do away what I conceive to be his ill grounded Apprehensions or to relieve his feelings in regard to himself, and as under the exercise of my Judgment as Censor that letter was printed I feel it my duty to relieve the Printer from any possible responsibility consequent on its publication he having, nearly performed his duty on the Occasion I having given it my Official Imprimatur. —

In drawing this letter to a Conclusion I beg to observe that His Excellency The Governor's residence being at present at Paramatta I had it not in my Power to submit the letter of Philo Free to His Excellency's Superior Judgment and by this Means I was left without any Alternative but either to admit or reject it in toto; it not being within the province of a censor to expunge or alter any Sentiments so committed to His perusal. —

I have the Honor to be
Sir,

Your Obedt^l Slave
(Signed) J^r: Tho^s: Campbell
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A true Copy
J^r: Wylde
(Signed) Judge Adv^t: N.S.W.

To The Rev^d: Samuel Marsden
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A true Copy of the Original
J^r: Wylde