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I do not expect ever to experience an harder struggle, than the  
the present, which time will soon decide. The wisdom of  
your Committee will suggest what use may be made  
of all the Information I have transmitted - I have laboured  
to put them in Possession of Facts: and leave the Cause  
with them. The Expenses have been much increased by the  
Secret means used to render abortive the Labours of the  
Societies to evangelize the Heathen in the South Sea Islands,  
and have also been much distressed in my on this Account  
and have felt the Burthen sometimes more than  
I could bear - was there a Society formed here, it would  
relieve me greatly - but as it is at present I have  
to bear the Burthen alone, and to act in very difficult  
Cases entirely upon my own Judgment. The Society  
I trust, will make every proper allowance for any  
thing that may appear incurred in me, when they  
take into their Consideration the peculiar Circumstances  
I am placed in -

I have never received a Line from you on the Society  
in answer to my Letters after my Return from  
New Zealand - which Letters you must have received  
in Decr 1813. This I cannot account for, as I have  
had answers from my private Friends to Letters  
sent at the same time - The Advice is getting ready  
for sea - and will sail again for the Islands when  
she is prepared - I shall write more fully by a  
Ship which is expected to sail for England soon  
Thos. G. Pratt -