

At present the Articles of Export from New Zealand want be Spermo Oil, Timber of various kinds, Flax which might be made into Cordage upon the spot. These commercial Articles want find constant Employment for both the Vessels and the Natives. The Active cannot at present furnish the means to bring these Articles to Market to meet her own Expenses but if employed as Mr Thompson points out, she might clear herself and aid the Mission. Since the Settlers have been so kindly treated by the Natives, Ships can now enter their Harbours with Safety. We strongly recommend The Rev<sup>d</sup> A Cheaps Plan both of a Vessel and a Small Colony of select Characters composed of Agriculturists and Mechanics. If this Plan is not established by those who are real Friends to Religion it is our decided opinion that some such measure will be adopted by others, who have no pious feeling towards the Heathens - and which may prove injurious to the Mission. We regret that the Expenses have been so heavy up to the present time - This has arisen partly from many untoward and unforeseen Circumstances, and partly from the <sup>high</sup> Prices of Labor here, and the difficulty there has been to induce Workmen to go to New Zealand to assist in erecting the necessary Buildings. As the Buildings are now completed and the Workmen withdrawn, the Expenses will be proportionably decreased - no more Stores need to be sent out for a long time, as we are now well supplied excepting a little Stalking for the Settlers and Native Children. We have engaged a very respectable young Man Charles Gordon for the Term of Three Years from the first of last January - at £60 per Annum - as Superintendant of Agriculture. His Father came out originally as Free Settler - We hope by his Exertions the Settlement will soon be rendered Independent of this Country for Supplies of Grain. William Carlisle as mentioned both by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Marsden & Kendall