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I have been detained by the Governor & at present do duty at Liverpool  
an inland district about 20 miles from Sydney where we have a  
tolerable attendance - This place was appointed for Mr Dale who has  
returned to Europe - There is a very good Tavernage House & the  
Governor is preparing to build a neat Church we now assemble  
in a large school room - This station leads to a very extensive  
country & will be a very populous Town in a few years -  
The reason assigned for my not going to Port Dalrymple - is there is no  
harbour prepared, & I expect it will be a long time first, as the present  
town is to be given up & to be removed 70 or 80 miles nearer the  
Harbour -

The Chaplain at the Government has been very ill some months & there  
is little hopes of his recovery - Of course I shall be removed thither  
as it comes in order & I doubt I shall receive the nomination  
as soon as his demise is known -

You will observe I am not regularly settled & therefore I am  
in my operations - Wherever I am, I shall be happy to  
serve the Society in every thing my  
local situation will admit -

I shall take it a very particular favour in informing me by the  
opportunity whether my Annual Subscription has been paid  
since my departure, in the event of it not being paid, I shall pay  
the arrears to Mr Mendenhall or to any one you may appoint to  
receive it - I hope it will not be distant, when we shall be able to  
announce the formation of a Church Missionary Society in this Colony  
I shall always be thankful to have accounts of your progress  
both as it respects your Ministry & also that of Missionary work.  
I care not to pray for our worthy member - pray for us -  
we need your help & advice -

I am with all due respect

Your Obedient Servant  
John Gould.

D. D. Mr Pratt -