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Sent to Rev. S. Marsden

Sent by the Pottenham

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(A copy sent also by the Society, Castle Street, Dec. 13/17)  
Church Missionary House, London  
Nov. 24/17.

My dear Sir

I wrote to you on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last, & have since received various communications from you, as under.

Letters dated June 12/16 & Jan'y. 13, 18. & 22/17

Your letter to the President, of Jan'y. 22/17

Remarks on the Government's Order

Copy of correspondence with Judge Advocate &

Two newspapers.

We are pained to find that you have been so opposed, slandered & troubled, by those who have ought to have been the first to have assisted you in your arduous undertaking.

We are assured that the Committee are not only thoroughly satisfied with your disinterested and laborious zeal, in forwarding & promoting their plans, but deeply sensible how much the Society is indebted to you for your ~~uninterrupted~~ continued & persevering efforts amidst every obstacle & difficulty. And, whilst we thank you for your past steadfast & absolute courage in defending the Missionary Cause, we would say, tho' you do find the New Zealand Mission the fruit of all your hardships, no doubt, that as your day is so well your strength be, & all our most sanguine hopes will ultimately be realized.

We have read the letter of which you so justly complain, with much sorrow, but we can hardly say with surprise. Men of this world will of course judge very differently as to

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our efforts, from what we do, and they often have their triumph  
and success, in this their day. We have continually to wrestle  
with the same things here. The Apostles & Prophets had the  
same; & we have reason to be thankful that we are counted  
worthy to suffer reproach for the name of Chr.

It is our duty, however, to preserve our Integrity &  
Uprightness of conduct, and, in cases of necessity, to use such  
means as the laws give us of maintaining our Character.

The Committee have seriously considered the subject,  
and propose still to do so, and, if found to be expedient, they  
will be glad to bring it before the Government here, so that  
you may not be exposed to similar insults again.

Mr. Campbell's Letter is rather a singular composition,  
very weak, but very cautiously expressed; yet he almost  
betrays himself by his very caution.

We have no doubt that you have been greatly benefited  
by these things, but how useful are these trials, & how  
profitable when they work in us the precious fruits of  
righteousness! We much approve of your design of  
taking us further ~~and~~ notice of it, when the printer  
gives up the name of the author. It is the most dignified  
& suitable conduct, which a Clergyman & a Minister of  
Chr. can pursue. It is a hard lesson to perform, "To overcome  
evil with good" - but it is a most powerful way of  
quenching opposition.

We are rejoiced to hear that Mrs. Handalls  
Schools have increased to 51, & that you give us good  
hopes of the ultimately extensive success of this Mission.

I am rather surprised, that you have not received  
more letters than you mention. It is extremely difficult  
for me, in the increasing extent of our Missions to keep  
up a very constant intercourse with each Station. But

we have you continually in our hearts & in our prayers. 84

We send you the Registers up to the present time, & a copy of the Reports as far as it is printed. You will observe that New Zealand has, in various ways been brought before our friends.

We send also for Mr. Hurdal various things which he has requested, & which we will thank you to forward to him. We send these things by a Transport, but the Navy Office will not allow us to send any Trunks or Parcels by this conveyance. We shall be glad to send that supply you requested, if we are able to do so, by another opportunity.

We presented the Memorial, which is ~~mentioned~~ mentioned in our last letter, respecting the Cruelties exercised towards the New Zealanders. Earl Bathurst promised to consult the Law Officers of the Crown on the Suspension of Lord Ellenborough's Act to New South Wales; but was not prepared at present ~~to~~ to go further.

Mr. Dale is in London, but we have not seen him.

You will receive an Investment by the Tottenham for which Government have allowed us free freight. You will see by the Invoices inclosed, to whom these Stores are appropriated. What part belongs to the Settlers you will place to their account in part of Salaries. The rest you will please to place to the credit of the Society. We have on this occasion sent the Articles which the Settlers have requested but we wish them not to expect any future supplies of this kind, as from the daily increasing extent of the Society's affairs it is become almost impossible for us to send it.

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Having sent this supply by the Tottenham  
without waiting for your directions - we shall forward  
no other investment till we learn your wishes on  
the subject.

With kind regards to Mrs Marsden,  
I am ever, Dear Sir,

Very affectionately Yours,  
(signed) Josiah Pratt