

(Copy) Sent to Rev. S. Marsden

Sent by the Grabella, Capt. Wallis

C. M. H. Landon

Duplicate sent, June 11<sup>th</sup>

March 12/18.

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My dear Sir

by the Tottenham

We wrote <sup>to</sup> you on the 24<sup>th</sup> Nov. Have since received various Communications from you, by Mr. Knapall, by Looi & Letterree, as under.

- Duplicates of the Dispatches mentioned in our last
- Copy of a letter from Mr. J. T. Campbell dated March 11/17
- Your letters dated March 3, 12, 27, 30 & 31/17 & April 2 & 3/17
- Copy of Geo. Williams's Deposition
- Copy of Judge Bents Letter April 5<sup>th</sup>
- Your letter to John Mason Good Esq. dated April 9/17 with the Lieutenant Governors enclosed.
- Copy of a letter dated Dec 7/16 to Mr. Hall & Mr. King.
- Letter from Joseph Thompson to yourself dated Mar. 27/17
- Letter from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Marsden, Cartwright & Youl dated Mar. 27/17
- Letter from Rev. John Youl dated March 29/17
- Letter from Rev. Rob<sup>t</sup> Cartwright dated March 10/17
- Letters from Mr. Thomas Kendall dated July 29, Aug 26, Oct 20, Nov. 6 & 12 & Dec 6/16.
- Letter from Mr. Kendall to you without a date.
- Three accounts of the New Zealand School List of Articles for Trade
- Letter from Mr. W. Hall dated Aug. 22.
- Letters from Mr. J. King dated Nov. 12/16 to myself & Mr. Wilson
- Letter from Mr. W. Carlisle dated Nov. 3/16

We have also received the various articles which were sent by the same opportunity.

Looi & Letterree came to England at a very seasonable opportunity; though, in general we think it has not answered sending persons home from abroad, yet we have every reason to hope that this may be a most important means of benefitting New Zealand. A Clergyman of some property, & considerable Talent & Zeal, the Rev. George Mortimer of Madely in Shropshire, has offered himself, this fortune, this family, to do good to the New Zealanders. He purposes spending 10 Months or 2 years in learning Surgery & every thing else which he thinks may make him useful to them. He is delighted to hear of the Arrival of these two young men, & purposes taking them into his family, & using his utmost exertions to make them a blessing to their Countrymen.

In the mean time we are taking measures, through Mr. Saml. Lee, the Society's Orientalist, & a person thoroughly skilled in the Knowledge of languages, to have



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a Grammar of the New Zealand Tongue, a Vocabulary, & we  
hope one of the Gospels translated. So that you will see from  
this that we are making the best use of Tooi & Teeterree. They  
have neither of them been quite well, but Tooi is better, &  
Teeterree we hope is recovering.

We send you herewith a copy of three Resolutions, passed  
at one of the largest meetings of the Committee that have been  
held for several years. The Right Honble the President in  
the Chair, Mr. Milnerforce, Mr. Babington, & many of the  
principal & most active friends of the Society, were  
present. We trust that they will encourage you to  
persevere amid every difficulty; & show you that we  
are disposed to do all that we can to assist you, in  
those zealous & disinterested labours in which you  
have been so long engaged.

It may probably be thought right to com-  
municate to Earl Bathurst the evidence proving  
Campbell to be the Author of "Philo. Free".

We hope, however, that long before this letter reaches  
you, this storm of persecution will have passed away.

We can make every allowance for your peculiar  
situation; and trust that you have been enabled to  
maintain your purpose of not taking yourself  
hostile steps against Mr. Campbell. We conquer  
most effectually by meekness and patience.

We are informed that Government have not  
received any dispatches by the Kangaroo, that no  
complaints whatever have come to their knowledge  
against you: so that we trust Campbell's threat  
of writing to the Bishops was merely designed to  
intimidate you, without any intention of acting  
upon it.

We feel with you, that the expences of the  
New Zealand Mission are considerable; but we also  
are fully satisfied with your conscientious regard  
to economy in promoting the interests of the Society.  
While we are anxious that the expenditure should  
be reduced to as small a compass as is consistent  
with the real prosperity of the Mission, we have not  
the smallest wish that you should sustain any  
personal loss, through your disinterested & zealous  
attention to our Cause. We fully see the necessity of



maintaining the Active, leave to you the best mode of  
employing it in the way of trade. 93 2

The New Zealand rope answered perfectly well,  
is now in the Society's House in a sound state, after  
being used ten months on board the Kangaroo.

We hope, God willing, in the course of two years  
more, to send over a good strong body of Missionaries  
& Settlers; it may then be very desirable that you  
should accompany them. We much approve of your  
plan of supplying New Zealand with Cattle. They  
will be a great help to future Missionaries.

We hear that General Sir Thomas Brisbane  
has been appointed Governor of the Colony. We will  
endeavour to ascertain this; & through our friends,  
to communicate with him.

We were much gratified with your testimony  
in favour of Mr. Kendall. His letters to us always  
breathe an excellent spirit. We wish that we could  
say the same of Hall & King. Hall's conduct has  
been very improper; he has justly smarted for  
it. It would have been well, if he only had smarted.

We must continue to leave this Mission in  
your hands. We are entirely convinced that the  
fear of God & the love of the Saviour, will ever  
influence your heart; that the power of the  
Almighty will be displayed in delivering you  
this own cause, both from open & secret enemies.

The Committee would much regret the  
necessity of Messrs. Hall & King being removed to  
Port Jackson; but they leave the matter in the  
hands of yourself & our friends. They wish  
you to act decisively. They much approve of your letter  
to them, dated Dec 7/16.

We are happy to ~~hear~~ that you have found such  
men, as Carlisle & Gordon to assist in the New Zealand Mission.  
We have received a very pleasing letter from Mr. Carlisle, & very  
good report of him from Mr. Cartwright.

On farther considering Mr. Cheap's plan of forming a Colony  
at New Zealand, so many obstacles presented themselves to taking  
such a large body, that it is, in a great measure, given  
up. The thing will, however, be done gradually. We hope to  
make a good beginning by the close of next year.

In the account which you rendered in Jan'y. 1816, there  
was an error in the casting of £. against yourself. The things  
charged to the Society really amounted to £. 725. P. P. instead of £. 724. P. P.



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which you entered. We have given you Credit for the £1.  
We leave to your discretion the printing of any further Books that  
Mr. Kendall may prepare in the New-Zealand Language: we hope, however,  
to furnish, as we have said, such a Grammar as may be of the  
first importance in fixing the Spelling.

Since we began this Letter Teeterree has been much  
worse; we fear that his health is in a precarious state.  
Mr. Hapsall, almost of the Crew of the Kangaroo, have been seriously  
unwell. They arrived at an unfavourable season of the year. But,  
indeed, we find, by several painful proofs, that this Climate  
is too cold for Asiatics, or Africans; & that there is always a great  
risk in their coming over. This shews us more than ever,  
the importance of a Seminary in New South Wales, for the  
education of the young; though we trust & pray, that great  
advantages may be gained from Tooti & Teeterree's coming  
over.

We have had much conversation both with Tooti & Teeterree  
on the subject of religion; & have endeavoured to ascertain the  
state of their minds. They appear to be both still much  
attached to their own Country Religion. Tooti is the most  
sensible. But we think it important to mention to you,  
that it is the decided opinion of the Committee, that no  
adult should be baptised, but upon an intelligent profession  
of Christianity.

We observe that Mr. Kendall thinks that it will be necessary  
in a great degree, to maintain the children that are educated  
in the School. You will observe from the Special Report of the  
African Mission page 102-104 that we have found considerable  
difficulty, & very great expences from Schools so conducted, in  
that Mission. We merely suggest this for your consideration,  
and that of our friends with you. If it be necessary to  
maintain the children, it will be expedient probably to limit  
the number; & to take other steps, that the School may be  
conducted most economically.

Mr. Kendall must be supplied with those things which  
he wants, from the stores sent to you. It would be very in-  
convenient to us to have more than one account. Marshall  
writes <sup>to try to this effect</sup> to hope to be able to write by this opportunity, to Mr.  
Cartwright & Mr. Yaul; but, should we not, we will thank  
you to present our kindest regards to them, & our best  
thanks for their letters.

You will have received additional stores by the Lotten-  
ham; but we had not received your letter as to the mode  
in which they should be packed. We will attend to your  
directions in future, & hope that the stores sent by the  
Lottenham may arrive safely.

We must leave it with you and our friends with you,  
to fix the necessary allowance of provisions with Mr. Kendall. We



have told him that we refer this as well as other matters connect-  
ed with this Mission, to you; while we wish him to have every  
thing requisite both for necessary expences & comfort. 93

We have paid the arrears of your subscription to the Bible  
Society up to Christmas 1816, being 3 guineas for 3 years, & have  
debited your account that sum.

Respecting the whole expenditure of the New Zealand Mission,  
we have already given you our general views; the Committee  
do not wish to limit your exertions, by confining you to any  
particular sum. If there be an adequate cause, & a fair promise  
of success, we doubt not but that the Christian public will  
support us to any reasonable extent.

We live in wonderful times; & every where, God is stirring  
up his people to seek the extension of his Son's Kingdom,  
by great exertions & extraordinary liberality. Let us take courage;  
& amid all the opposition which we meet with at home,  
& which you have to encounter abroad, go on in the  
strength & in the spirit of our Lord, & we shall be used as  
his Instruments on earth, & come to be with him for  
ever hereafter.

We send letters for Mr. Kendall to open that you  
may read them before they are forwarded.

We are, my dear Sir,

Ever faithfully & affectionately yours.

(Signed) Josiah Pratt

Edward Bickersteth

P.S. March 16/18. Lecture continues very <sup>+</sup>dangerously  
ill. The Doctors think that the great probability is that  
he will not recover, & they advise us to take an early  
opportunity of sending Lovi back. This is a trying dis-  
persation, but we must submit to the will of God.  
It shews us more strongly the necessity of keeping  
up the Seminary at Parramatta.

We beg to be kindly remembered to the other  
Clergymen who are associated with you