

95 We received a Letter from your Brother Edw^d, at Irlby, in Dec. last, stating that a Legacy of £11. 19. 6 from the late Mr. Thomas Quickfall, House Steward to Lord Yarborough, was in the Hands of Mr. Smith, Stone Mason, Great Grimsby due to your wife. If you will send me an Authority to receive it I will endeavour to obtain it for you.

Your Brother expresses his wish to join you; but, after what you say, & on Mature consideration, we feel disposed to decline the proposal.

Most of the things which you have requested in the dispatch, just received, have been already sent you through Mr. Marsden. Those which have not been sent, will be forwarded by any opportunity that offers. We can send nothing but the Dispatches by the present vessel. It is necessary for us to have only one Account, that with Mr. Marsden. He will send you the Goods which he receives from us, & we will supply him. We must leave with him, your friends in New South Wales, the supply of provisions & other things, which it is necessary for you to have with your Salary. We are persuaded, on the one hand, that your object is not the accumulation or the mere enjoyment of this world's Good; & we wish, on the other, that you should have not only what is requisite for the absolutely necessary expenses of yourself & family, but also for their comfortable Maintenance, as far as is consistent with the good of the Mission & the just Character of a charitable institution. But we have found considerable inconvenience from the Maintenance of our African children; & we trust that you will be careful to enter, as little as possible, into a plan which must involve the Society in an expense, which, though it may be small for each particular Child, yet, when our Missions are increased, and it becomes necessary on a large scale, will be very burdensome. We know that you have difficulties on both sides, but hope that you may, by degrees, be able to get the Parents to provide for their children.

Do not understand us as wishing to cripple the Mission, for want of necessary supplies; but as wishing to provide in the wisest way for its extension.

Respecting our opinion of your Character & usefulness, your mind may be quite easy. We are well convinced of the singleness of your heart in this Cause: Nor have we heard any thing from any one, that would lead us to doubt your steady & judicious pursuit of the great object of the Society. Go on! & may the Lord prosper you! is our wish & our prayer for you.

You have, of course, communicated to Mr. Marsden the unsuitable or bad character of the goods, which he sent you. It is not