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Rev. Samuel Marsden to Secretary

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Parramatta N.S.W. Co.

Dear Sir!

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I have sent by this conveyance the Sydney Gazette, for near one year and our half. some copy books from Mr. Scotland. I think Mr. Kendall has now more than thirty who write. There is also a coil of rope directed for you. I wish the Society to have it tried, and know its value. This rope was made at Parramatta by a servant of mine, and one young Chief who ^{is} learning rope-making. There is also a case with mats and some store in it. directed for you at the missionary House under the care of Captain Flax. I fear many of the articles I send never arrive.

will you inform me whether the Stone
 is of any Value or not. It is abundant
 should it be worth any thing. A great
 Painter here has tried it, and he informs
 me it makes a beautiful Sky & blue
 that will stand any time.

I forgot to mention in the Order for
 Articles are very valuable, and highly
 esteemed Instruments, namely the
 Jews Harp - Should any be sent out
 let them be good, and put up in a
 tin Case - The last were much
 damaged by salt water. The Chiefs
 informed me the last night, when
 in conversation with them
 the Jews Harp was very fine music,

it quite charmed them when they were
 sleeping, and all the new Zealanders
 were very fond of them - On the
 arrival of the David Shaw, you will
 have the goodness to enquire after the
 things I have sent. The letters I have
 forwarded under cover to the owners
 for safety as I am afraid of their
 being lost, which is the case some
 times in such a country as this.
 Mrs. Cartwright returns by the David Shaw.
 whether she will come out again or not
 I cannot tell. I have requested her to wait
 upon you when in London -

P.S. I expect the Active
 will sail in three
 days for N. Zealand
 it is supposed I cannot send
 the Accounts of this time
 Rev. J. Pratt.

I am
 Dear Sir
 Yours affectionately
 Saml. Marsden

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