

123 taught the Blacksmiths business to a certain degree, the
one was taught here by the Blacksmith that we had, and
the other was taught at Port Jackson, under the direction of
Mr Mander, — I have also built a Smith Shop that I work in
myself occasionally, with the Tools that you kindly sent out
with me, — I can make small adrees nails and many other
useful things, that serve to purchase potatoes for labour
&c with. — I visit all my working Natives three times a day
regularly with potatoes and pork, and Mr H, cooks it all
for them. — We have succeeded tolerably well in cul-
tivation likewise, — I have as much wheat growing this year
as will serve my family the year round, and every one in
the settlement has got some more or less. — we keep in-
creasing gradually by making more improvements and
cultivations every year. — And in respect to the language
we can speak it sufficiently well to enable us to buy or sell
any thing to them or get our work done, in short we can
speak pretty fluently upon any common subject. — But
as to writing it grammatically, or translating any part of
the Scriptures we are utterly unequal to the work, —
We wish very much to have a Minister or two amongst us
classically educated, and the more living languages
they understand they will be the better qualified for their
work, but I must refer these things to your superior
judgements, and to the righteous judge of all things. —
We hope we have an interest in your prayers, and in the
prayers of all those that wish well to the increase of Christ's
Kingdom and the building up of his Church upon earth, —
and that the Lord may qualify and preserve many faithful