

overwhelming engagements, the engagements of those to whom we could have entrusted the work, to prosecute, to any great extent, the fixing of the New Zealand Language.

Something has, however, been done; the Committee trust that such a beginning has been made, as will enable M. Butler & M. Kendall to go on with the work.

The Committee now send you, as they are persuaded, a most valuable body of Labourers

The Rev. John Butler, is a plain man, of strong natural talent & warm affections; whose heart has long been set on the heathen world. He superintended the Schools at Bentinck Chapel; & M. Woodd gave him up with great reluctance. His son will be able to take charge of a School. M^{rs} Butler will manage the household matters; & in every practicable way, we trust, renders herself useful.

M. Francis Hall is an humble, diligent, & consistent Christian. We need not say more to shew his value in the New Zealand Mission.

M. Kemp, the Smith, & M^{rs} Kemp, are truly worthy people. He has a good knowledge of Agriculture; & is, every way, by piety, talent, knowledge, & sweetness of disposition, calculated for his Station.

May the Lord, the giver of every good, bless them & go with them all; & give them great success in His work!

Respecting the Gratuities to be allowed to those now going out, we have told them that we refer them entirely to you. In Western Africa where provisions & European Articles are very dear, we allow £200 to the married ordained Missionary for himself & his wife. By reference to this you & your friends may be able to adjust a suitable allowance for M. Butler. A proper yearly allowance should be given to his son, provided he renders himself useful. In all these matters, we are sure, that you & your other friends will endeavour to combine a due regard to economy in the application of the Society's funds, with a proper consideration for the comfort of its Missionaries.

M. Hall is a single man & will be able to take such a situation as M. Kendall now has, & may have a salary in proportion. We leave it to you also to fix M. & M^{rs} Kemp's salary. The Committee wish to give unto them that which is just & equal.

We have seen Capt. Ker, who gave us information as to