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quills I mean to proceed with the native  
children as well as I can. I mean to alter  
the sounds of the letters according to my plan  
laid down in the Preparatory Catechism  
The Tabernians, I see, pronounce the sounds of  
the letters and vowels after a similar method  
very readily.

Mr. Gordon intends shortly to leave us. He says  
he can not stop with comfort. I believe him to  
be a sincerely pious christian. but the natives  
take advantage of his fears and unnecessarily  
alarm him. He has not sufficient firmness  
and spirit in his transactions with them. I believe  
we shall (except it is our own fault) continue  
to sleep in peace here: but we have all our  
particular trials, and what one man would  
scarcely think a trial, would in some instances  
overwhelm another. I only received 17 Bushels  
of wheat from Mr Gordon last harvest. My family  
stands in need of a Bushel per week.

Mr. Hall and myself can act no longer  
in concert together. We are like unto the Iron  
Pot and the earthen Pot carried on by the  
same current, We must not come near each  
other in haste lest one of us be dashed to  
pieces. Mr. Hall has had in my opinion a

(a) Mr. Hall said I could as well afford to lay out 30¢ per annum as they could  
in order to keep upon an even balance with them. I tried for years to get  
them to pay for their school books. I tried for years to get them to pay for their school books.