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At the same time our Govt. wishes to be thought a moral
and religious Govt. and if we were to judge from the
public General orders published in the Sydney Gazette
we should be induced to believe, that vice was discoun-
-tenanced, and Religion and morality protected and
encouraged. I would to God this was the case. Men
in Power approve of Religion as far as it tends
to promote their political views; but if it should
in the smallest Degree militate against them,
it must no longer exist. All the Religion that
is wanted here, is such as can be reconciled to
Horse racing, and other amusements. However
God has a few in N.S. Wales that fear him; and
we may look for a Seed to serve him in
spite of all that the Powers of Darkness can
do to prevent it. The Power belongeth to God
and he will not let us labour in vain, but he
will in one way or other cause his word to
accomplish the thing whereunto he hath sent
it - As the ship will sail shortly in which
I shall send my Son to England, I shall not
send the Accounts by that Conveyance, I
shall have to draw upon you for about £50
for Carriage & for the Ship in favor of
Captain Watson of the Foxhound, which
I will thank you to procure -

Per J. Pratt I am per! son
yours very affectionately
John Mordaunt