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Mrs. Sarah M. Garrison to the Secy

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Rev^d? & Dear Sir

I send you a copy of an Agreement entered into between Mr. Wendell & his three Colleagues relative to private Trade. Mr. Hall would not join with them. It is very difficult to manage this Point, tho' a great evil. I much approve of the Agreement which Mr. W. and his three Colleagues have made. Mr. Wendell has the work of the mission wholly at Heart. Mr. Hall feels differently. I am sorry to say. Mr. Hall can never be governed. He forms an opinion of his crew, from which no Power on Earth can turn him. He went to whytangee formerly in violation of the most positive Instructions that I could give him and at the Risk of his crew & his Family's. and I am fully convinced, he will never alter for the better: for he puts no value upon other men's Opinions however experienced they may be. He is also a very grasping earthly man and never seems to lose sight of his worldly Interest. This is always in view. and his Advice tends to confirm and support him in his obstinate and stubborn Opinions. If he believes any Plan will promote his Interest, that Plan he will follow if he sacrifice his Life in the attempt.

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world must be his besetting sin; and this spirit
enters into all his Transactions. I feel it my
Duty to speak thus plainly, as he is a servant
of the Society, ^{and} as I cannot tell what he may
state to you when he writes. On the other hand,
in the midst of so much ~~the~~ ^{pusillanimity} there is
some good in him - he possesses many valuable
Qualities for a Missionary. He is strictly moral
in his Conduct, he is hardy in his Constitution,
Plain and simple in his Food; a good Mechanic
and workman from morning till night. No
man can be more industrious, nor set a better
Example to the natives for Sobriety, Industry and
morality. Mr. Hall is a man that would live
in any Part of the world from the mere Dirt
of his Industry and Perseverance. For he fears
no Dangers, nor shrinks from any Toils. With
the mixture of all his good and bad Qualities, I have
reason to believe that he is a pious man, tho' his
piety does not benefit his Colleagues. It does not
shew itself in that brotherly Kindness, that
Christian meekness and Humility of mind
which should at all times adorn the Chris-
-tian Character. I have spoken to him often
when in his Company on this Subject, and
often wrote to him in very plain Language
but I despair, of him, ever being different
from what he is at present.

Mr. Kendall will never bring him into his way either of acting or thinking, because he thinks himself so much wiser, and a much more useful person than Mr. K.

Mr. King is a man of very moderate Abilities but conducts himself well. I send you a Letter of Mr. Carlisle's, from which you will see his Views - Mr. Gordon is a pious man, but very timid - I think he will return to Port Jackson from mere Apprehension of Surgeon. His Conduct has been humble and good, but he wants firmness of mind. He is a man that fears where no fear is - I am anxious for the Active's return before the Sloop sails - but I fear she will not, as she had not arrived at the Bay of Islands when the King George left the Settlement. She ought to have been there three weeks before, and must have met with contrary winds - Six Mr. Leekenders are with me at present. They will yet enter the new Seminary this week, tho' not completely finally. I hope we shall soon get into a regular System of Agriculture, Gardening, & Pottery &c. These are the objects that I shall have it in my Power to attend to more than any other. As they are principally young men who come to me, they are too old to learn to read

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our language much, but not too old to learn
the simple Arts, and Agriculture. If they are
taught to milk, the management of Cattle and
Horses, to plough, &c. the Knowledge of these
things will improve their Situation in their
own Country, and forward the general object
of the Society. When the Active returns this voyage
it is my Intention to send her again as soon as I can
to New Zealand, and make the Bay of Islands
her Station. When the weather will admit, she
will put to Sea, and Mill whalers. By this means
if she should be fortunate, much of her Expenses
may be covered. This Plan will also tend very
much to extend our Influence, and Intercourse
with the natives all along the Coast, and
gradually open the way for extending the mission.
I am anxious to pay the Island another visit.
The Settlers and Chiefs urge me to see them
again. There are ten or more Children belonging
to the Settlers who want baptizing. Should the
Rev. Mr. Mortimer arrive I should wish
to accompany him, but I shall not claim
leave from our present Governor. I have
no hope while he remains. I am now looking
for Dovi & Teeterne's return. I am informed
Dovi's brother is gone to England to look for
him in some vessel that touched at it.
New Zealand - I remain, Sir, your
most affectionately
Wm. J. Pratt - Wm. Marsden