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Rev. Saml. Mayden to the Sec<sup>y</sup>.

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Rev<sup>d</sup> Dear Sir

Conn. (in Conn.) Jan. 10/20.

I herewith enclose you the Statement  
of the Expenses attending the visit of the  
Parsonage from the 8<sup>th</sup> of Aug. 1819 - to 22<sup>nd</sup> March 19.  
It is not in my power from present existing circum-  
stances to forward to you such Vouchers as I could  
wish; I can only send my own Statement. I should be  
exceeding glad if my Colleagues would interpose  
and examine all the Accounts, and pass them -  
but as this cannot be done at present, I am  
compelled to send you the Accounts in my own  
Authority; on Examination I trust the Committee  
will approve of them. It is well known in  
all things - you will bear in mind the poor  
New Englander comes to this Colony naked except-  
ing his native Clothing; and there must be considerable  
Expense before he can appear decent in the Congrega-  
tion on the Sabbath - I am happy to say, the  
24 who are named in the list, and who have  
resided with me for different periods, have all  
behaved well. There is not an individual in the  
Colony that can make the smallest Complaint  
against them - They have conducted themselves  
with the greatest Propriety - Some of them  
made considerable Progress in speaking the  
English Language - and improved themselves

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very much in the Knowledge of Agriculture, which  
they are fond of. These men will be ready in their own  
Country to favour the Views of the Society should they  
at any future Period extend their Plan of civilization,  
when the Seminary is completed, and they are all  
employed I shall then be able to ascertain the  
exact amount of their Expenses, but at present  
it is impossible to send you any other statement than  
that which I forward ~~Herewith~~ There is their washing  
lodging, and many other minor Expenses I could  
not state. When a Change of Government takes place  
I have no Doubt but I shall be able to establish  
an auxiliary Church missionary Society in this  
Colony: till that takes place it is impossible to be  
done. Justice Field, Judge of the Supreme Court, has  
expressed we he will second my views in this respect  
as soon as a new Governor arrives, and has taken  
the Command. I have no Doubt but this will be  
done. At the present time the Concerns must go  
on as well as Circumstances will allow. My colleagues  
Miss<sup>rs</sup> Cartwright & you, are very willing to  
assist, but at present they can do nothing. I do  
not expect much aid from any other of my colleagues  
at any time - one of them I am sorry to say has  
I fear little regard for the Cause of Religion; and know  
such men, no good can be expected. The more incorrect  
a Clergyman is in his conduct, the more he is esteemed  
externally by men in Power. Aultery is considered  
merely human weakness, even in the Clergy -

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I believe if all the Clergy in the Colony, were  
to indulge in the Vices of the Place, they would be  
much more esteemed than what they are —  
with respect to the Active her annual Expenses  
are very heavy. I stated to you about four years  
ago, that I did not conceive she would pay  
her own Expenses by & so on her own means. I am  
still of the same Opinion, unless I can employ  
her in some other Service, such as procuring  
oil &c. occasionally, which I intend to attempt —  
The Duties upon the Timber at Port Jackson, and  
other expenses in the Port are very heavy, so that  
the Timber will not pay. As the House of Alexander  
Pirnie & Co. of London have employed a Brig  
for two Voyages between Port Jackson and  
the South Sea Islands trading amongst the  
Islands for Pork &c. which Brig was sent by  
one of the Partners of the House who resides here.  
Mr. James Pirnie, I requested him to give me  
an Account of the Profits and Loss upon the  
two last Voyages, a Copy of which I forward  
to you. From this Document, I was not far out in  
my Calculations, as you will perceive that  
Mr. Pirnie sustained a real Loss of nearly £1000.  
I merely send you this to show you that the  
outfits of Vessels here are very heavy, and that  
merchants, who understand the Business can-  
not make it answer — Mr. Pirnie has allowed  
nothing for the Interest of the Capital sent.

199 in the original Purchase of the Vessel. I should  
not trouble you with that Document, was there  
a Committee here to examine and approve  
my Accounts - I feel it a duty I owe to myself  
to give you every Information where the  
pecuniary Interest of the Mission is concerned:  
that the Committee may have the best means  
I can give them, to satisfy them, that I do the  
best I can. I know great Responsibility is laid upon  
me and I am anxious to discharge it - I have drawn  
upon you for <sup>eight months</sup> ~~xxx years~~ services for the Vessel  
of £200 - and £250 - 10. 6. on account of the new  
Tadlanders - I shall send the whole Accounts by the  
Terny, which is expected to sail from hence in  
two months - The Vessel sailed for New Zealand  
there with Supplies for the Settlement - I am  
in hopes in time to procure some Article of  
Commerce that will pay the Expenses of the  
Vessel. New Zealand will always want a Vessel,  
as the natives are so anxious to see the world,  
and what they can learn in it - A full Statement  
of every thing shall be forwarded by the  
Terny -

I have the Honor to be  
Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

yours very sincerely

Rev<sup>d</sup> J. Knott  
Secretary to the

Learn<sup>d</sup> Mission

C. M. S. M. The last time I drew upon you for  
the Vessel was at the rate of £125  
per annum