

of those self-denying doctrines, which are so strongly opposed to the pride and selfishness of our fallen nature.

Mr. Marsden and the Society's other friends who act with him, will be requested to frame proper Regulations, on these principles, for the distribution of the Common Stock, to the Settlers and their families, to the Children in the Schools, and the Natives employed in the Settlement; and to place the said Common Stock under the charge of such person or persons as they shall judge fit.

The Committee hope that these Regulations will prevent the recurrence of painful circumstances: but it is only from an increase of brotherly love among yourselves, and a more pure zeal for the glory of God, which can effectually secure you from a line of conduct unbecoming the Gospel of Christ.

The idea of aiming at independence or superior advantages, on the part of any of you, while living on the Society's land and supported in whole or in part by its funds, is inconsistent with the obligations which you contracted to the Society when you entered into its service. Every thing requisite for your support, in as comfortable a manner as is compatible with the circumstances in which you are placed, the Committee will gladly supply; but they do so on the supposition, that your hearts are in your work, and that success in extending the blessings of the Gospel and of Civilization to the Natives of New Zealand is your highest aim. Whilst your minds are in this frame, you will cheerfully renounce the pursuit of personal gain and of independence in circumstances, and will strictly conform to the regulations by which the best interests of your Heathen brethren will be most effectually promoted.

I am, Dear Friends,
Ever faithfully yours,
(Signed) Josiah Oratt.