

*John Butler to CMS Secretary and Marsden's remarks*

Nov<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1819-

Rev<sup>d</sup> and dear Sir,

The following is an account of Provisions &c issued from the Society's Stores to the Settlement at New Zealand from the 13<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> to the 31<sup>st</sup> of Oct<sup>r</sup> - Tea 57 lbs. Sugar 460 lbs Soap 101 lbs. Flour 2485 lbs. Meat 2485 lbs. Besides a large quantity of Meat issued to the working Natives -

The present expenditure of the Settlement for 50 persons, men, women & children now Rationed by the Society is as follows - Tea p. week 5 lbs. Sugar 38 lbs. Soap 11 lbs. Flour 280 lbs. Meat 280 lbs to be purchased by the Societys Trade from the Natives for furnishing the above Ration of Animal food - Independent of the above Ration for Europeans there are 30 Native men employed in sawing Timber, Agriculture &c &c to be fed and paid in articles of Barter from the Society's Store -

In the above numbers there are neither Hewers of Wood nor drawers of water for domestic purposes -

D<sup>r</sup> Sir yours truly

J<sup>no</sup> Butler [f]

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

I beg to add a few words to what the Rev<sup>d</sup> J. Butler has stated. Pork is the only Article of Food that can be purchased at New Zealand at present. I hope the next year at the new Settlement sufficient wheat will be raised for the Support of the Settlement. M<sup>r</sup> Butler will have to provide for the Support of the

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School as soon as he can. The great Expense for a time will be victualling the Europeans and Natives – but the necessary buildings and Agriculture cannot be carried on without this expence, When I return to Port Jackson I shall there have a few moments to state all these matters more fully, and of submitting to your Consideration my views of all the material objects that concern the Mission.

I have the Honor to be

Rev<sup>d</sup> Sir

Your most obedient

humble Servant

Samuel Marsden

Rev<sup>d</sup> J. Pratt