

in the Mission to dispose of
their Mats &c?

5. What number of Natives &
under what regulations so as
to give the most general Satis-
faction to the Chiefs, should
be permitted to visit Port Jack-
-son, if it should be deem'd necess-
-ary for any to go?

6. How far have the industry of
the Natives, the cultivation of
the Land, & other comforts of Life
increas'd since your Residence
amongst them?

7. Have the Deaths of the Natives
for the last 3 years been in the
same proportion to the 2 first
Years you liv'd amongst them?

It would not therefore be prudent or even
practicable to prevent the New Zealanders
from visiting P. J. in vessels employ'd
in the Mission. That spirit of enter-
-prize & thirst for Commerce which
they possess would be check'd by such a
measure; & they would be dissatisfied
with the Missionaries who lived
in the Land.

5. Generally speaking two or three of the
most intelligent Youths might be per-
-mitted to visit P. J. & remain there for
some time for the purpose of being ind-
-tructed in reading, writing, or the Arts.
Also a Chief or two might be permitted
to pay a short visit. Should a greater
number of Natives be very importunate
to embark at any one time it would
be right to yield to their wishes as
much as possible, if no other means
could be adopted to pacify them.

6. Their Industry & the Cultivation of
their Land have increas'd in proportion
to the means which have been put
down time to time into their hands, &
have far exceed'd our expectations.
They have enlarg'd their fields as they
have procur'd Implements of Hus-
-bandry & the comforts of Life have
increas'd accordingly.

7. They have not. During the 1st year
in particular there was a great
mortality amongst the Natives - but
we now seldom hear of the death of a
Native. The Natives live better.
Many of them were formerly very
much afflicted with Boils, but
since they have liv'd upon more
wholesome food, they are free from
them, & at present appear healthy & well.