

Samuel Marsden to CMS Secretary Josiah Pratt

Sydney FebY 8th 1821

Rev^d & Dear Sir,

I beg to introduce to you Rich^d Skinner Esqu^r Commander of His Majesty's Store Ship the dromedary from whom I received every kind Attention while I was in the Dromedary on my visit to New Zealand, as well as all the Missionaries while the Dromedary was in the Country - Should Captain Skinner come out again for Timber to New Zealand you will have a good opportunity of forwarding what you may wish to send by the Dromedary - [f] It will give you much Pleasure as well as the Society to learn that no unpleasant differences happened between the natives and Ships Company while the Cargo was procuring - The natives will have now a different opinion of the British Sailors from what they have had from the Whalers - Captain Skinner can inform you what the General Conduct of the Masters and Crews of whalers are towards the natives, to whom I beg to refer - Some restraint should be put upon them if possible, but I cannot tell what can be done - I do not think [sic] any thing will be done effectually [f] without a Kings Vessel been there occasionally - This would check them a little -

I have the Honor to be

Rev^d Sir

Your most obed^t

humble Servant

Samuel Marsden

Rev^d J. Pratt