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Buddle Buddle

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Rev Dear Sir

With pleasure I inform you that Captain Thompson, by whom also you will receive this letter, brought us down a very seasonable supply of stores, as we were quite out at the time of his arrival. Help often comes in when hope is gone.

Since your departure we have been on the most peaceable and friendly terms with our natives, and nothing appears wanting but courage and exertion to go on in our great and glorious work.

However there are many difficulties to contend with, one is, the great want of animal food, occasioned principally by the shipping. There are five ^{ships} besides the Active at this time within the Harbour, and it is said there are twelve others without, ^{maybe} and expected at Bay of Islands every day.

I need not say to you, that like the