

New. Land. Standen to the Sea!!

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Perd & Dear Sir!

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I have perused the last letters I received from the Rev. J. Gutter & Mr. William Hall, from which you will see that all is quiet at New Zealand. At the same time the different whalers greatly distress the settlement by purchasing every kind of provisions from the natives with muskets and powder. It is much to be lamented, that this nefarious practice cannot be prevented. Animal food was very scarce when I was there on this account - I think not much less than 2000 Hogs were sent on board the different ships when I was there. The miserable settlement will never be comfortable till they raise all the provisions they want; and make themselves independent of the natives in this respect - when Capt. Skinner had completed his cargo, he had ten working boats to dispose of, as he could not take them