

good opinion, ^{towards} of the natives, but his mind was
wrought upon by Secret Enemies, who were
determined to defeat the Agent - and his
prejudices were not to be softened or removed.
The Rev. J. Butler's mind was much poisoned
while he was here, tho' only for a short
time - Mr. Lowell has also been much
tarnished with, both before and since the
death of his wife, which happened when
I was in New Zealand - This has detained him
to the present time - As the Duke of Devon
belonging to the House of Aler. was at
London was going to Obispo, and the
Settlement wanted wheat at N. Zealand
and some other stores I agreed with
the Agent here to take down the
supplies with Mr. M. Shepherd &
Mr. Samuel Butler to the Bay of
Islands for the sum of £50 - The
Ship was then at Sea, and I was