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William Hall is, and has been a very industrious useful man
very ^{new} superior to him for beginning a mission - He is a man
of more natural Ability than any who are there - Mr
Shepherd is the best in point of learning the native language
and will prove a valuable missionary - The Spirit of a
missionary has grown up with him from a boy, and he
is a young man of good Ability and sound Piety - In worldly
matters he would have done well in this Colony - but he could
not rest. He visited the Society Islands and St. Paul and for some
time before he engaged in the mission - I have no doubt but
he will do well for his motive is pure, and he understood the
nature of his work before he engaged in it - It would be
well if you could meet with a pious man, who understands
Agriculture - I wish also to submit to the consideration of the
Society the propriety of allowing the missionaries & Settlers
a regular Salary equal to provide them with all the necessaries
of life - I think this Regulation would reduce the Expenses of the
Society, and prevent many unpleasant Differences about
their Provisions - Some want a Hog to be kill'd, another
all Hogs, when they come to draw their Ration - Some
want Green & others Black Tea - I never saw any thing to equal
the Impropriety of the Conduct of some of them in this respect,
when I was there - I arranged matters with Mr. Kendall
respecting his Salary, should what I have done meet with the
Approbation of the Society - Mr. Kendall is to have the
Sum of £200 per annum from the 1st of October 1821.
with this Sum he is to furnish his Family with all
they want - He is to have no Claim upon the Society's
Stores for any Provisions or any thing whatsoever -
whatever Sum of Tea Sugar Soap &c. he draws from
the Society's Stores, the amount is to be charged against
his Salary - He is to supply his Family with animal
Food, Flour and every Article they may want -