

Rev. Saml. Marsden to the Hon. Secy. Rev. J. Bagster

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Rev. Sir?

Feb. Aug. 31/22
to Mr. Marsden

I had written
I have many friends to the Mission, but many of them
have said to me that Mr Marsden handles the country people
by the way, I had written

on wednesday the 16th I wrote you a second
 letter on the subject of yours to me on the 8th and just
 as I was putting the envelope in you came into Mr
 Campbells office accompanied by Mr. Currell, when
 I immediately handed you my letter, which you then
 read and told me you would give me no answer to it
 As this rested with yourself I had no more to say at that
 time upon the subject - As you have, after making
 your charges, declined to support them I feel myself
 called upon to make a few observations upon them by
 way of reply - in the first place you charge me with
 Defamation - you observe, when you returned from
 New Zealand you immediately began to speak evil
 of me and mine - in answer to this charge, I beg to say
 that when I returned to New South Wales, many of our
 friends were anxious to learn the state of the
 mission, and also have every individual felt in their
 new station - I satisfied their inquiries as far as I
 could in general conversation, without the most distant
 intention of injuring any one in the mission - my most
 ardent wish was that all might be happy & prosper
 in their work - with respect to yourself, I thought you
 were too violent with the natives, and I feared this
 would be productive of evil and not good - I was also
 sorry that Mr. Bagster was not more reconciled
 to her situation - She had come out persecuted her
 self, and therefore she was to be pitied, as that
 would always make her unhappy - no woman
 should be forced into such a work; if they

The letter accompanies these papers B

a good reason, as it was apparently; Mr Marsden made her unhappy
see my journal