

painful for him to hear - Let not the Society be  
discouraged - The work will go on - Let them weigh  
facts - Let them ask what injuries have the natives  
done the missionaries? what robberies have they  
committed? Mr. Butler represented things in the  
most alarming light when he came - A stranger  
would have imagined all the missionaries would  
have been killed at sea immediately and their  
property taken away - under such circumstan-  
ces I asked Mr. B. how he came to leave his wife  
and children, and so many hundreds of friends  
worth of private property which he said he  
possessed in such imminent danger? and could  
he venture to return with so much property.  
I wished no more of the Society's stores to  
go, than were necessary for the present  
but he took all with him, excepting a few  
rifles that are to be sold here - such great  
quantities of stores are very strong temptations  
to the natives to rob them - I am sure they  
could not keep them in this colony - they  
would soon be robbed of them - when he took  
the stores, he told me he would return to