

The sentiments expressed in the 11th as such as I expect from
I cannot object to your answers contained in your 5th 6th
and 7th Paragraphs. And can only add with respect to
the Mechanics that they have not much troubled me.
I never had the use of a Carpenter more than 5 Days
previous to repairing the School house. I then had 10 Days
from Fairburn 5 Days. I now want a Church &
after that a dwelling house, but who am I to look
to to build them? I must depend upon you. I do
not think you can fairly accuse me of impatience respecting
the mechanics.

I conclude, by repeating my former observation, that I
do really and truly desire to obey and act cordially with the
Society, and I object to any insinuation which may lead
the Society to think I desire to act otherwise. You are
greatly mistaken if you suspect, that I want to treat
either the Society or yourself disrespectfully. The Society
I am persuaded will not finally blame me for bringing
the subject fairly before them, and not hiding my measures
from their view. I think I have said all that can be
said either in excuse for, or as to the expediency of the
conduct of the Missionaries in bartering with muskets &
powder among the Natives. The Society have a right
to condemn me, and my colleagues, if they think we
have done wrong, for we are their servants. There is
one observation which I must however make to you. You
seem to be more afraid of suffering in your good
name and reputation respecting the above Question, than
you are desirous of explaining the truth, putting the matter
in its ~~own~~ ^{proper} light, and leaving to your New Zealand
Colleagues. Have you forgotten, already, your own