

I conclude, by repeating my former observations, 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 this subject fairly before them and not hiding my meanings 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 Missionsaries bartering with Muskets &c. 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, ^{however,} which I must make with due respect to you. You seem to be more afraid of suffering in your good name and reputation respects the above questions, than you are of