

Permanently April 18<sup>th</sup>

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Dear Sir

Wid. Oct 18/23

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I have sent for your information  
one years Journal of James Shepherd who  
is employed in the new Zealand mission  
you will see what the views and feelings  
of this young man are with respect to  
the natives. He is a young man who has  
not had the advantages of Education  
having learned to read in one of our  
small District Schools. I know him  
to be a man of sound Piety; and of great  
natural Abilities for acquiring the  
Language of New Zealand, in which he  
has made great Progress. In due time  
he may render great Assistance in translating  
the Sacred Scriptures into the Language of  
these poor Heathens. I beg to refer you  
to Mr. Francis Hall for his Conduct  
and Character -  
By this Conveyance you will receive a  
Letter from Captain Irvine a copy of  
which he has sent me. It is not necessary  
I should make any Remarks upon it -  
By the next Conveyance I shall write