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Rev. & Dear Sir

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Am. Mar. 18/24

I intended to have visited your
Island before this time, but have been prevented
by various causes, but am now on the eve
of my departure - I have made an
Arrangement with the master of the
Sloop to take me, the Rev. G. Williams
and family with his servants, and a
Carpenter & his family Mr. Winborn
who was there for a considerable time
building the houses and stores &c. Mr.
Clark has been very ill for the last four
months, but is now much better.

She will not be able to accompany me
at this time, having only been confined a
few days - I also wish to see Shungsee
before Mr. Clark goes - as he was in perfect
with the Genl. that the Society was
sending him out to make Guns for him.
Mr. Clark is usefully employed in the
Native Institution, and I hope he will
not be of very much Expense while
he remains in the Colony - Mr.
Clark has required much medical

Attendance for some time past - They are both very pious and amiable young people, and their hearts are set upon the work. I thought it more prudent for Mr. Clark to remain here until I had seen Mr. Kendall also, who told me, that he was coming out to make laws for New-England.

I shall take the earliest opportunity to inform you of the state of affairs after my arrival in N. England. As my thoughtless son has only just come, I shall not be able previous to my sailing to settle with Mr. Good, and the Society his accounts - will thank you to inform me by the first conveyance what I am indebted to the Society, and I will settle the balance with you - This is almost too painful a subject for me to dwell upon - We Lord suffers his people to be tried - and I have my share - but I cannot say with St. Paul, that I glory in tribulations also - The misconduct of the missionaries has given me much pain; but God will overcome this for his glory in the end - N. England will be subdued by the powerful word of truth

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to the obedience of Faith. The Rev. G. Williams
will write to you - I need say nothing about him
and his Family - I cannot tell where I shall settle
them until I arrive at New Zealand, and
see how the State of Affairs are there - It will
be my object to station them at a distance
from the old missionaries, in hopes that
they will set a good example to others -
Their secular Affairs cannot be settled until
we arrive there - I wish much Mr. Francis
Hall may return - He would be a great Assistance
as he would take the Charge of the Stores
and could be depended upon in every Sense -
He is a pious good man, and feels for the
State of the poor Heathen - I know his
mind was much distressed with various
Circumstances which happened amongst
the missionaries - I have often been
astonished that the Conduct of some of
the missionaries had not incensed the
natives to murder them - it has been
so violent and warlike - Their forbearance
has been very great -

As soon as I return from New Zealand I
purpose to try if an auxiliary Society can not

be found here in the Colony - The times have
been unpropitious, but I hope it may be done
I have mentioned the subject to Lady Pringle
who is very well inclined towards improve-
ments as well as Sir Thomas - I think it may
be done under his administration -

You will probably hear that I have been compelled
to appeal to the Supreme Court for redress from
the injustice and unconscionable oppressions
of Mr. Douglas in his office as magistrate.
The cause will be heard before my return
to the Colony - Should Surgeon Hall have
arrived, he will publish what took place
in the Colony when he was here, in consequence
of a lawsuit woman who came out with
him applying to him for protection from
the improper behaviour of Mr. Douglas in
whose service she was at that time -
men under the Government of their carnal
lusts cannot bear restraint or reproof -

We live in a wicked and ungodly world, and
have much need of patience, with the various
trials we are assailed with, and continually
to pray to be delivered from unreasonable
and wicked men -

Rev. G. Pratt
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Dear & kind Sir
Yours very faithfully
Saml. Marsden