

I was thunder struck when you came to
 Thiddle Thiddle, at the warm manner in which
 you expressed your determination to remain
 in New Zealand, and have been entirely
 at a loss ever since to find a reason
 for your acting as you then did.
 As a private individual you have
 not offended me, nor can I have
 given you any cause of offence.
 As Agent to the C. M. Society I have
 only had to communicate to you the
 Resolutions of the Society and provide
 you and your Family with a
 passage to N. S. Wales, both of which
 I had done previous to the loss of the
 Ship Brampton. From the above
 period, when you told me that you
 were determined to remain in
 New Zealand, I consider myself
 free from all Official Obligations
 to you. Had you applied to me
 for support for yourself and Family
 as Shipwrecked Passengers, waiting with
 myself for an opportunity to return
 to Port Jackson I should not have
 hesitated to comply with your appli-
 cation. By the resolution you have
 formed, you have put it out of my
 power to render you any assistance
 on public grounds. I regret much
 that you should suffer your angry
 feelings to carry you so far beyond
 the bounds of common propriety.
 It appears to me impossible that
 any man professing Christian Humility
 and genuine repentance can indulge