

Bay of Islands Brig Dragon
October 31. 1823

Rev. Sir,

I have just received your note under date 30th instant, in reply I have only to repeat what I have already said, viz That I have provided a passage for you and your Family ~~to~~ Port Jackson in the Brig Dragon agreeable to my instructions from the Church Missionary Society, which is all that I am authorized to do.

I beg further to add, that it is totally impossible for me to promise to provide a passage for you and your Family to England on your arrival at Port Jackson.

Having stated the above all further communication between you and me I consider finally closed

I am

Rev. Sir

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant

signed Samuel Marsden

Rev. Tho. Kendall