

In consequence of the disgraceful immoralities that have been committed in New Zealand and with a view to prevent a repetition of them I deem it necessary to make the following regulations — In the first place for the punishment of evil doers, secondly for the praise of them that do well, thirdly for the general interests of the mission & fourthly for the honor of the Church Missionary Society viz.

1 That if any missionary or missionaries lay Settlers or Settlers in future who are now in New Zealand or who may hereafter be employed in the Mission, shall be charged with drunkenness, Fornication, Adultery or any other scandalous sin or sins. An enquiry shall be immediately made into the truth of such charge or charges in a full committee formed by the Missionaries and lay Settlers, and if the charge or charges are proved to the satisfaction of two thirds of the Committee in that case the accused person or persons shall be immediately dismissed from the service of the Mission and shall from the time of such dismissal