

George Clarke to Mr Ludbrook

New South Wales

Paramatta. Novbr. 28. 1822

My dr Sir

I am perticularly requested by M^{rs} Clarke to write to you, respecting a Pious Man, who wishes to be useful in the Missionary Cause. The Man's name is Cobb. He was living with M^r Redgrave of Rednel, when we left England, and was a member of M^r Tho^s Fishers Chapel, of Harleston.

According to the description of Character given him by M^{rs} C - he is just such a man as M^r Marsden wants for New New Zealand, as he thoroughly understands - Agriculture and the Management of Cattle. - If he is still disposed to be useful in the above mentioned way, there seems an opening for him; but let M^r Cobb fully understand that he would be employed in teaching the natives Agriculture, and he would also have to take care of the Missionaries Cattle. - If M^r Cobb be still single it would be advisable, and might add to his sphere of usefulness to get married before he comes out; but, let him be careful that he be "not unequally yoked. [f]

There will be no objection to him on account of his being a Dissenter. The main thing for a Missionary is sterling piety, then must also be sterling ^piety in those who become fellow helpers with the Missionaries.

You will most probably hear from M^r Pratt a month or two after receiving ^this as M^r Marsden is about to writing to M^r Pratt | on this subject,

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and will advise Mr Pratt to write to you on the subject. In the mean time let Mr Cobb be appraised of it, but let him not be too anxious for fear of disappointment, let him see this letter and if still disposed to some out, to hold himself in readiness, his being an illiterate character is no natural objection and Mr Marsden is acquainted with it.

Remember us very affectionately to all our d^r friends

Your affectionate Friend

George Clarke