

to comply with my request, so as to arrive at Port Jackson sooner than I expected. - As such opportunities were of rare occurrence, I considered this circumstance a highly favourable dispensation of Providence towards myself, at that time; being aware that a great political storm was fast gathering in the colony; in which (if I remained) I could not well avoid being involved: and to gratify my earnest desire of having the Gospel preached at Newzealand, as well as to secure my own quiet, I was most anxious to quit the colony without delay, lest I should be prevented from proceeding on the design I had formed. -

It was therefore a matter of great joy to me, when I obtained His Excellency's leave of absence, and got on board of His Majesty's ship 'Buffalo' along with the late Governor King. - We sailed in February 1807, and arrived in England in the Novemb: following.

Shortly after my arrival in London, I waited upon the Reverend Josiah Pratt Secretary to the Church Missionary Society, and stated my views on the degraded state of the Newzealanders for the want of moral and religious instruction, and requested that the Committee would take their miserable situation into its favourable consideration.

The Rev: J. Pratt attended to my request with the greatest kindness, which inspired me with the hope that the Committee would enter into my views, and render the assistance solicited. -