

Natives were catechized by Mr. Hall, and sung hymns and repeated prayers in their own languages, which was exceedingly gratifying to my mind. I observed with great pleasure that the natives in every place were much improved in their appearance and manners, since I last visited them and that notwithstanding the misconduct of some of the ~~best~~ Europeans the work was gradually going on, and the way preparing for the blessings of the Gospel to be imparted unto them. I have no doubt but that the greatest difficulties are now over; and God will either incline the hearts of those who are now in New Zealand to devote themselves to the instruction of the Natives, or He will find other Instruments to do His work. The present Missionaries tho' some have erred greatly from the right way, yet they all have had trials and troubles: some allowance must be made for their peculiar situation their want of Christian Society, and public ordinances of religion - such privileges as are enjoyed by the Church of God in England.

I have a lofty tree upon one of my Estates in New South Wales, which stands upon the summit of a Hill. When I first got possession of this site, this tree was surrounded by