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to find English words and to arrange his ideas
and to clothe them with such terms so as to
enable me to conceive what he wished me to understand

His reasoning upon the different subjects is so subtle
and metaphysical that when he attempted to explain
them I could not with the utmost exertion of my
mental powers often comprehend what his meaning
was - I am satisfied he has acquired a great know-
ledge of the Natives language and also of their customs
and manners and Religion but whether
he will ever be able to arrange these matters
in a proper manner in unoffensive language so as
to be of general benefit to those employed in the
Mission is a matter of some doubt - By prying into the
obscure customs and notions of the Natives with a vicinated
curiosity his own mind is become so polluted that
it will be very difficult for him to purify his ideas so
far as to render what he writes acceptable to the public eye
and to make himself at the same time understood. The
Character and History of the N Zealanders would be very
interesting if it could be purely written. They are a noble
race of Men - they are very religious in their ways
and they are Men of the first capacity of mind