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Ship's company, and returned to Middle Middle  
Wednesday <sup>Sep 17<sup>th</sup></sup> - I have spent the last few  
days at the Missionary Settlement, the weather  
has been very wet and stormy - I have suffered  
from cold and a sore throat - I feel very  
anxious to return to N S Wales, but at  
present have little hope - While remaining  
upon this subject the Sisters arrived from  
Port Jackson, and this morning I have  
received a letter from my colleague the  
Rev R Hill informing me that all my family  
were well on the 28<sup>th</sup> of August. - This was very  
welcome news, and revived my spirits  
All the information I received from  
the Colony was very satisfactory - I shall  
be very glad if the Captain of the Sates  
will be prevailed upon to take us to Port  
Jackson, but I fear he will not, and our stay  
here may be some months - I am determined  
that the Missionaries shall begin to erect a school  
at Middle Middle the next week - Should I be  
obliged to remain two months, I hope to see it  
completed, and the children admitted into it  
The foundation must be laid in the education  
of the rising generation - If there were means  
equal to give the children generally instruction,  
ignorance and superstition would soon give  
way to knowledge and ~~the~~ true Religion -  
The children possess great minds, are well  
behaved, and teachable, and would make  
great improvement - [ <sup>Sep 18</sup> Sunday 18. This  
morning Captain Moore informed