

sure I should despair of ever being able either  
to write or speak the N. Indian language according  
to the rules in the Grammar -

26<sup>th</sup> I am very anxious now to return to my family  
and congregation, but have no prospect - I may be  
detained for months - This is a very dark dispensation  
I feel <sup>reflected</sup> upon, but the Lord is too wise to err, and too kind to  
be afflicted willingly - at the same time I feel an inclination  
to murmur and complain - and take the practice  
of the Lord, am discouraged because of the way - what I  
know not now, I perhaps shall know hereafter -  
The loss of the Prompter appears to me very myster-  
ious - no ship was ever lost in the Bay of Islands before,  
the Harbours are so commodious and fine - I presume no  
one has ever lost this I think and always shall, that it  
is a very extraordinary circumstance - I know nothing  
happens by chance, and therefore it was the divine will  
that she should be wrecked for reasons which man cannot  
explain - therefore they will be done -

29<sup>th</sup> I wrote this day a circular letter to the missionaries  
circles recommending them to write candidly in the work  
the mission, and to form some regular Plan  
respecting the language - Every one has hitherto  
followed his own system, and all different, which can  
never answer - and will create nothing but confusion  
Some have not ability, and others have not Learning  
sufficient to write the language, and should avail themselves  
of the superior abilities of their colleagues - The want of  
humility has been very great in the missionaries -  
The Apostles advice has been wholly forgotten by them  
"In lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than  
themselves" -

26<sup>th</sup> This morning I left Redee Kiddee to pay a visit to  
the Rev. G. Williams at Pyspea - on my way  
I past by the wreck of the Prompter - It is a very