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Rev. Sir, Oct. 20/08

I have seen the Rev. Mr. Maudeu who is of opinion
that it will not be necessary for the Settlers at New Zealand
to confine themselves to hard labour; and that a practical
knowledge of the Arts, enabling them to instruct the
Natives themselves will be sufficient, I therefore should
have been willing to learn the Trade of a Smith, as far
as it might have been considered necessary had you
reason for one.

I have also perused Savages' Account of the
Island of New Zealand, and instead of diminishing
my anxiety for the Welfare of the Natives, it has
increased it; as, it confessedly has done my willing-
ness to go amongst them. I do not mean, from the
apparent probability of making them, by any
exertions of mine, duly to appreciate the Blessings of
the Gospel; they are unprepared for it. But I think,