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Samuel Marsden to Josiah Pratt

Fenchurch St. No. 150

May 9. 1809

Sir

I herewith return you Governor Macquarie's Letter, and have the Pleasure to inform you, that Lord Castlereagh has spoke to his Excellency relative to the Chief of New Zealand, and has directed him to give every Assistance towards promoting the Civilisation of the Natives—I have since had a Conversation with the Governor upon the Subject, stating to him what kind of Assistance would be wanting, and how far I conceived the wishes of the Society extended—From the Instructions he has had from Lord Castlereagh, togather with the Society's Letter written by you, I have no doubt but he will meet the views of the Society as much as possible, and give all the Countenance to the [f] object of the Mission that it may require—I think however it would be proper, could you make it convenient, to call upon him personally; and have a little Conversation with the Governor on the Buisness [sic]—He will leave Town, in a few days, as the Troops are embarked—

I am

D<sup>r</sup>Sir

Yours truly

Saml Marsden

Rev<sup>d.</sup> J. Pratt