

Mr W. Hall to Secretary

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Rev. Sir

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Mr. Ans. Mar. 3^d. that the affair was
not at all in such a state as to give any
prospect of employing their vessel.

Tho' unknown to each other personally,
I beg leave to address You as the Secretary to the So-
ciety for Missions to Africa & the East — This excellent
Institution which has my prayers, & a small contribution
annually, I find has adopted the plan proposed to it by
that excellent Man, the Rev. Mr. Marsden of New South Wales
in sending out two good Men as Missionaries for New
Zealand; & I trust that his designs tho' for the present
unhappily retarded, will eventually be blessed with success
& conduce towards the establishment of the Redeemer's
Kingdom amongst that benighted People — I had the
privilege of Mr. Marsden's acquaintance whilst at this
place; & once in a conversation with him, probably abt
3 years ago, he pointed out to me, in addition to the
religious & moral advantages to the Natives of that Is-
land, the mercantile ~~also~~ benefit arising from frequent
intercourse between the New Zealanders & the British In-
habitants of New South Wales — I have read in your
last report the same plan again proposed in the letters
addressed by Mr. M. to your Committee, — & I hope
it has been by this time adopted by some of your
wealthy Contributors exactly in the way Mr. Marsden
recommends. — My motive for thus addressing You, is
as follows — I am concerned in a ship with my Brothers
called the Minstrel abt 350 Tons p. register, In: Reed Master