

Thomas Kendall to Josiah Pratt

Rev^d & Dear Sir,

Since it was thought advisable for me to dispose of my School, which I did at Christmas last and from which period I have been without my Salary I find it has cost me already for Lodging and Board, including the money which I have laid out for wearing apparel & c^a for the comfort and use of my family the sum of £93.18.7^{1/2} – I shall also have to provide some Tea, Sugar, Butter, Potatoes, Soap, Candles and some other trifling articles for and during the voyage, I therefore think that the Committee of the Church Missionary Society will allow me the money which I have expended (considering the fifty Pounds which has been granted to me) and after I arrive at the Colony give me leave to draw upon M^r Marsden at the end of every half year for what I may necessarily expend for Food &c for my family until it shall please Divine Providence to enable me to support myself & them without calling upon the Society for assistance. I should have been happy had it been in my power to have gone out without taking any thing from the Funds of the Society but [f] should I do this I should have too little left of my own property to establish myself as a Settler at New South Wales –

When I saw you last, I referred you to a former resolution of the Comm^{ee} by which it was proposed that I should have an annual Salary and I thought that provided it was allowed me for three years I should have enough. The Committee will now judge what they think best to do in my behalf. I have only to assure you & the Committee that being allowed what is needful for food and raiment with a sum not exceeding five pounds per annum for charitable

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purposes I desire and ask for no more. And am

Rev^d & Dear Sir

Dutifully & faithfully Yours

Tho. Kendall

The Rev^d Josiah Pratt

Secretary & c^a & c^a

P.S. In consequence of the long voyage I have been under the necessity of purchasing much more wearing apparel than I should otherwise consider needful yet it will not be lost