

*Basil Woodd to Josiah Pratt*

My dear Friend

I trust / DV / to beat the Church Miss.<sup>n</sup> Com<sup>tee</sup> on Monday next - & as there will be probably some arrangements relative to Mr Kendall - I think right to apprise you as the principal agents of the Soc<sup>ty</sup> that I hope the Com<sup>tee</sup> have no intention of giving Mr Butler a superintendency over Mr Kendall - Mr B is not a man to be entrusted with such power; he is far too hasty & injudicious - & wd render the patient meek persevering spirit of Mr Kendall completely uncomfortable - They are both [f] friends of mine, both of Bentinels [?] Congregation, both pious zealous men; but I conceive they ought to be both independent of each other - & that the supplies for the settlement should be forward direct to the parties; otherwise it will be injurious to the Mission, & particularly the Schools, which for want of regular supplies are sadly fallen off; I will bring with me on Monday some arrangements for their mutual comfort, independence, which I trust the Society will adopt -; but as you are more fully acquainted with these rules of [ink smudge] [f] - I thought it best just to apprise of my general idea, that you might turn it in your mind in the interim - Do not trouble yourself to write - I hope to be with you before the Com<sup>tee</sup> meet on Monday - I dined yesterday with Shunghee as I believe to day Mr Mortlock will have the goodness to introduce them to the King, whom they express great desire to see - I am in haste

Yours very faithfully

B. Woodd