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unnatural and hard Regiments, as they
do our bread to their Peonooch as, although
it may require labour to procure it.

When conversing with the Pres Mr Butler
on this subject, he informed me, that
Mr Reid, many years Surgeon in the
Royal Navy and Superintendent in the
Training Convict ships, had offered to join
the Mission, if the Society would allow
him a salary of £400 p Ann. Without
considering the demand, my attention was
at once arrested by the flattering prospect
that would result, from such an acquisition
to the Society - And I did not hesitate to
declare, that any difference of salary would
be amply repaid by the influence the
Mission would acquire in this Colony
by having such a Character in their
Service at New Zealand. I have no
doubt it would be the mean of recon-
ciling many to our Plan, who are
now enemies to it, and may eventually
cause them to become warm supporters
of the cause.

Mr Butler speaks in the highest terms
of Dr Reid's conduct during the voyage
and thinks he would be an invaluable