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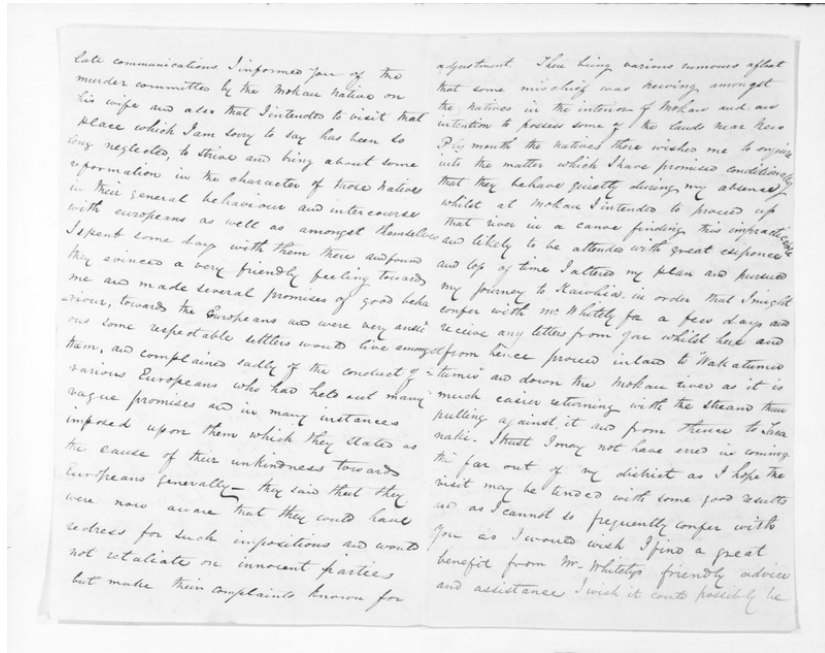
My Dear Sir

I have received your
favor of the 15 April and was ~~very~~ ^{gladly} happy
to learn that you ~~had been~~ ^{were} satisfied with
~~my~~ ^{the} last report respecting the disturbances
at Mangamui. I wrote you two or three
letters from that place and as I did not
put them in the post office there and not
seeing the receipt of them in any of your
letters. I am afraid they have not reached
you - I forgot the dates but recollect that
I enclosed a letter of Mr Taylors in
the first I wrote from there.

In one of my late
George Clarke
C. P. Bayly

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be arranged that I could see you occasionally
 as many difficulties arise in the performance
 of my duties that frequently escape my
 memory when writing a little time spent
 with you in receiving your verbal instructions
 and advice would lighten and obviate many
 difficulties with which I have to contend.

With you I cannot but feel for the
 sad calumny that is so frequently thrown upon
 the Protectorate and in striving to do their best
 to benefit all it is really disheartening to meet
 with so much unbounded censure but as the
 present is not a time for relaxation a distant
 I suppose we must meet those difficulties with
 patience mindful that there is one Supreme
 being to whom we have to account for
 all our actions is a reflection of itself
 by which if we are guided in the performance
 of our duties will cause us to be let and lose
 of the slander of man. I hope that you
 will receive the aid of that Providence who
 does not forsake us in times of trouble and confusion
 in fulfilling your very arduous task and enable
 us who are entrusted to your care and under your
 direction and guidance to look up to you at
 all times for your friendly help and advice in the
 desire of yours with every respect and esteem
 D.M. Leach