Hobart Town 29/10 Nov 1841

To Mr. Clarke
Esteemed Sir,

Aware that for many long

residence on Flinders Island as Religious Instructor
to the Aborigines of V.D. Land there are necessary in possession of many interesting particulars
illustrative of the circumstances & character of that

fast-decaying race. Considering moreover, how peculiarly favourable the situation has been for observing
their capacity for improvement in regard to both

prosocial, as well as religious, condition; I am,

induced respectfully to urge upon the the purpose

of making known to the world the facts then all

acquainted with; especially those that may

throw additional light upon the subject of the

treatment of Aboriginal Tribes in a national

point of view. On a subject so often mooted,

So fraught with importance as the one question,

I feel anxious.
that thy valuable testimony, & the results of thy experience, should not be suffered to sink in oblivion. Allow me therefore to suggest the expediency of communicating directly with the Committee of the District Aborigines Protection Society, or shouldst thou prefer addressing that Body through the medium of a friend, with whom thou hast already corresponded on the subject, allows me to name our mutual friend E. Backhouse, who I know will have much satisfaction in forwarding our views. I shall willingly undertake the transmissin to him or to a Member of the Committee of my Document thou mayst prepare in answer to my suggestion, if desired.

And remain,

very respectfully,
thy friend,

Geo. W. Walker

[Signature]