To the President of the South Australian Colonization Company,
Mr. G. F. Angas,
Esq.,
in
London,

Dresden, **February 19, 1838**

dispatched on March 18.

Dear Sir!

Our mutual friend, Pastor Kavel, will have informed you of the nature of the obstacles we faced in regard to the departure of our two missionaries, and how quickly and completely they were finally overcome. He will also have told you that the brothers were about to depart for Hamburg and hoped to arrive in London in the middle of next month. We can now add that they have indeed departed, one taking the route via Hanover, the other via Berlin, and we hope that, with God's help, they will be the bearers of this letter, with which we would like to introduce Pastors Teichelmann and Schürmann as missionaries of the Evangelical Lutheran Mission Society in Dresden.

Even if your departure has been unavoidably delayed so far, we hope that you will not weaken, but rather strengthen, the existing connection between us, and that it will bear fruit in the conversion of many native inhabitants of South Australia.

In your kind letter to Pastor Wermelskirch during his stay in Newcastle last year, you assured us that you intended to commence the disbursement of your generous gift of £100 annually once the missionaries were about to depart for South Australia. We now request you to kindly make the necessary arrangements with the bank in Adelaide so that the sum of £25 per quarter can be handed over to the aforementioned two individuals.

As for the sum of £42 per person to be allocated for the crossing to Australia, we have received the pleasant news from Pastor Kavel that you intended to approach Lord Glenely on this matter. We are grateful to you for this mediation and hope that it will be successful.

However, in case S. Herrlichkeit does not meet your expectations, we expect that there will be no difficulties in the missionaries' departure. Instead, we want to cover the 84 Lewier Sterling with an exchange of 100 Lewier * - - - - - - - * surplus, which we ask you to hand over to Messrs. Teichelmann and Schürmann before their departure, to be transferred by the bank in Adelaide.

Hopefully, the sum of 100 Lewier Sterling annually will almost cover the missionaries' personal expenses; but to prevent them from being in financial difficulties, we wish them to open a credit at the bank in Adelaide. In case the crossing does not fall on us, we wish to deposit the attached 100 Lewier Sterling with the note in the bank to be paid to our friends; if, however, the crossing is to be borne by us, we ask you to let us know the best way to establish a credit for them in South Australia; we will then lose no time in taking the necessary steps.

We hope that an opportunity to go to Adelaide will present itself soon, and that it will be as safe as possible on the sea. Therefore, we have instructed them to pack the books they will not need on the journey into a large box and leave them at the customs office until further transport, hoping that this way the import duty will be avoided. As to whether it would be advisable to insure their books and other items, we leave it to your kind advice. Any hint you might wish to give them will be gratefully accepted.

Trusting in your agreement, we have told the missionaries that their letters, diaries, etc., * will be forwarded to us. The postage expenses incurred by you, as well as other small expenses you may incur for us, we kindly ask you to submit to us for reimbursement from time to time.

With this, we believe we have covered all relevant points for now; what may need to be mentioned in the future will be taught to us by circumstances and, most of all, by the one who governs all things according to the pleasure of his will. In the pleasant expectation of hearing from you soon about the departure of the missionaries and the initiation of other matters concerning them, we remain with the expression of our utmost respect, Your Excellency,

the most obedient servant of

the Committee of the Evangelical-Lutheran Mission Society.