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79, St George's Square. S.W.

Decr 5th 1864

Dear Mr Chesson

I should very much like to become a member of the Aborigines Protection Society I am specially moved to ask this favour at the present moment, because I am deeply conscious of the

immense practical advantage
derived from the help of the
Society by the Maori chiefs
recently visiting this country.
You not only procured for them
an amount of personal
kindness & hospitality for
which they will be ever
grateful & which must produce
the most beneficial Effect
on the relations between the

British & Maori races; but you enabled them & place their grievances before Her Majesty's Government in a far more effective manner than would have been possible without your assistance

Believe me

Yours very truly

J. E. Fenton

F. W. Chesson Esq