

Pitcairn Island.

I saw the N.Y. letter submitted  
 recently. I also had a visit today  
 from two reps of the Seventh Day Adventists  
 who said they were being pressed to do  
 something for their co-religionists on  
 Pitcairn. I showed them the Navy  
 Dept's release of Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> (the last  
 authentic info available) and <sup>attached</sup> the very  
 trashy article in the "American Weekly"  
 of Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> — neither of which they  
 had seen — and they went off to  
 get the S.D. to enquire at Suva what  
 assistance they could usefully give.

I think Mr. Stappard's suggested line of  
 reply to his two enquirers is all we  
 can say: but it might be useful, in  
 view of public interest here, if we  
 knew what was being done. We could  
 telegraph by en clair night letter perhaps.

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have in fact  
 & properly mounted  
 for the file  
 DS

I don't think we need get anything  
 started and Haggard might return a  
 temporary answer. In addition however  
 we might report these enquiries &  
 these signs of public interest briefly  
 by rep. to P.O. and say we sh! be  
 glad of any information whereunto  
 meet them.

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