

in superstition & very distinct  
from Cannibalism, tho' the whole  
system of their religious ceremonies  
is interwoven with the eating of  
human flesh.

Question (8) "Are there any Restrictions  
with respect to Age in persons  
who are killed & eaten by the  
New Zealanders?"

Answer Persons of all ages are liable to  
be killed in battle, those who are,  
or have been the greatest Warriors  
are the most aimed at, I have  
not heard of any old persons, or  
very young children <sup>having</sup> been killed  
as sacrifices, but those who are  
grown up

Question (9) Will you state such well  
authenticated facts relative to the  
practice of Cannibalism by the  
New Zealanders as have been com-  
municated to you by others, distin-  
guishing those from such as you  
are acquainted with from your  
own Knowledge?

Answer I have had many Conversations  
with the Chiefs at the Bay of  
Islands, the River Thames &c.  
respecting Cannibalism. It is ad-  
mitted by all as <sup>a</sup> Fact, & practised  
by all as a religious ceremony in  
their wars. Every Chief when he