

the quantity of Corn and Potatoes the next season, as this is the Spring, and the proper time for planting both. By which means their Comforts will be increased, and the settlers more abundantly supplied with Pork, Corn and Potatoes. As the Comforts of the native inhabitants increase, so will their civilization be proportionably improved. All they seem to want is, the means of procuring the Comforts of civil life. They neither want industry nor natural ability, of mind, nor strength of Body. All these they possess perhaps in a Superior degree, to any other barbarous nation upon Earth. And as their Climate, and soil, are both favourable, for all the purposes of agriculture, they no doubt will make a very rapid progress in the attainment of the necessary Comforts of Civil life. We this evening had the pleasure, to launch our flat bottomed boat, in the presence of the joyful natives, which is estimated to carry 20 Tons. It is the first Vessel ever built upon the northern island of New Zealand. We may view it, merely like a grain of Mustard Seed, if we anticipate the Naval power, and strength which this Country is capable of attaining, from the energy of its native Inhabitants, their bold enterprising Spirit, with their Harbours, Rivers, and naval stores, it was impossible to prevent the human mind, from contemplating with secret pleasure, on viewing the launching of this little bark into the bosom of the great deep, the infinite blessings the Christian world would impart to this nation, by the introduction of the arts of Civilization and the Gospel. It is not possible for persons in civil life, to conceive the wants of those who are in a state of nature; nor can they estimate the blessings they themselves enjoy, when compared with the miseries of a barbarous state.

14th This morning I met Korro Korro at Ranghee Bay. He informed me, he had been spending the night with Shunghee at Tippoonah. Knowing the jealousy that existed between these two Chiefs; I wished to know what was the nature of his visit to Shunghee. He said he went to arrange some public matters with Shunghee previous to his own departure for the River Waimea, where he was going on an embassy of Peace, and intended to take the greatest part of the men of his Tribe with him. He was apprehensive Shunghee might take advantage of his absence, and attack his People whom he left behind, unless Shunghee