

Chief Why-Tarow about 6 O'clock, where we landed, and where we were to sleep for the night. The Chief had got one of the neatest Huts, I had seen in New Zealand. At each corner stands a Carved Wooden Image one representing a man, the other a Woman painted red, both naked. They are placed there to perpetuate two victories, which the Chief obtained over two Islands in the Bay of Plenty; and are named after these Islands. The Chief himself has assumed the name also, of one of them. After we had taken some refreshment, and the darkness of the Evening had closed upon us, the Chief ordered a fire to be made, around which, we all sat down. We then desired the Chiefs to state the grounds of their grievances. They ~~then~~ began by saying that they had no private complaints to make; that their grievances were of a public nature. They stated, that when the Europeans first came to New Zealand, they all settled with Quaterara, and Thunghee; by this means, the power and wealth of Thunghee ~~were~~ were greatly increased - that when the last Europeans came, they expected to have got one, to reside with them: but these also were appropriated to Thunghee, which threw all the trade into his hands. They ^{that} alledged they could not go to trade with the Missionaries, within Thunghee's jurisdiction: on one hand, this would lower their dignity; and, on the other, Thunghee's people would not allow them, as this was contrary to the custom of their Country, for one Chief to interfere in matters of trade with another, within his own district. What they wanted was, an equal advantage of Trade, which they could not enjoy, without the residence of a Missionary amongst them, to whom they could dispose of their property, without any of those degrading restraints ^{which} they were now under. What they have to sell is a few Potatoes, and Hogs, these are their principal commodities. They further alledged that ~~the~~ people had cast reflections upon them; and charged some of their people with Theft, which had made them very angry. They did not attempt to deny, that some of their Tribe had, with or without their knowledge, taken some trifling things from the Europeans; but that Thunghee's people,