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natives of New Zealand have no means of obtaining Justice but the Law of Retaliation; and to this Law like all other uncivilized nations, ^{they} will resort, whenever they feel themselves injured or oppressed. The fatal loss of the Boyd and the Panamatta, and the murders of their Captains and crews, and of several crews belonging to boats of different ^{vessels} people, were occasioned by the unprovoked cruelties of the Europeans. It rarely happens that an opportunity offers in this colony, of bringing the guilty to punishment. The ships that visit New Zealand, when they have completed their cargo, proceed ^{very frequently} to Europe or America very frequently, without touching at Port Jackson.

On this account, those who have injured the natives of that Island have either been cut off in the moment of personal Revenge, by the enraged party, or else have escaped with impunity.

Some months ago, I received information that Mr. Lasco Jones Master of the King George, had acted with great injustice and cruelty to one of the New Zealanders (on board the said vessel), which he took with him from this port, previous to his landing him at the Bay of Islands. As Mr. Lasco Jones is now arrived in this port, I humbly solicit Your Excellency to cause an investigation to be

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