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Declaration of William Burnett

Sailed from this port the  
17<sup>th</sup> October 1809 in the Mary Capt<sup>n</sup>  
Simmons belonging to Mr Burnett  
of London. We arrived at the Bay  
of Islands in the New Zealand  
in about three weeks. The Mercury  
Schooner Theodore Walker Master,  
& the Inspector Capt<sup>n</sup> John Walker  
went in company with us part  
of the voyage but arrived at the  
Bay of Islands before us where  
we found them. A vessel called  
the New Zealand Capt<sup>n</sup> Elder  
was also at the Bay of Islands  
where she had been fitting out.

Capt<sup>n</sup> Elder told us the  
natives had been very friendly to  
him & had rendered him every  
assistance in fitting out his vessel.  
The Mary & the Inspector also  
reported the same of the behaviour  
of the natives.