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came to an anchor near Hobart Town on Tuesday April 12th.
 A few days after our arrival here we were visited by
 Warrakbee a young Native of the Bay of Islands who was
 very desirous to accompany us in the letter boat. He
 told us he had a great desire to see his mother and sisters
 from whom he had been absent some years, but he had
 unfortunately signed an article to serve in the Brig Spring
 a vessel then lying near us and bound for Port Dalrymple
 and Port Jackson and neither the owner of the vessel nor the
 Captain were willing to part with him. On Wednesday
 May 11th Meroo another Native of the Bay of Islands
 was sent on board to us by Captain Dillon. He had formerly
 lived with Mr Hale and hearing of us while he was at Port
 Dalrymple he left his ship then, and came over by land
 performing his journey through the woods in few days. His
 Captain sends after him but I am happy to say that
 without much difficulty I succeeded in giving him
 his liberty. The following Copies of letters contain an
 account of my proceedings in his behalf. Warrakbee
 I found with Mr Marsden after my return to Port Jackson.
 Brig return Wednesday 18th 1814.

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 I beg leave respectfully to submit to your consideration
 the case of Meroo a Native of New Zealand who has made