

departed much pleased with their respective bargains. They brought upwards of thirty Spears from the wood at this time. Whilst these things were doing Quatera and a party of friends were actively employed in cutting Koradde (or Tlas in its growing state) on the other side of the Bay. They conveyed several Boatloads to a convenient place which was at a short distance from a part of the Bay where there was good anchorage for the vessel.

On Tuesday July 5. I attended the Mourning ceremony for Tontoro a man who had died on the Sunday. The Corpse was neatly wrapped up in the clothing which had been worn by the deceased. The feet instead of being stretched out as is customary in England were "gathered up" in such a manner by his sides that I could not discern them. I heard the better lamentations of the Women & the funeral song on side of the Men. I witnessed a mock fight as a part of the ceremony and the whole party consisted of two or three hundred feasting upon sweet potatoes by way of conclusion. The Women cut their faces, breasts, and arms with sharp shells until they were covered with blood. Tera and his wife were there who paid great attention to me; wished me to sit near them and I was presented six baskets of sweet potatoes (or Kymouru) ready cooked for my dinner.

Sunday July 10. Mr Hale read the Prayers of the Church. Munghee and Chourakhe were present, but no other natives came near us. The ship was too far from the shore & the wind blew fresh from the north west.

(a) These were about six in number & were related to the deceased