

appeared along side the active with plenty of Fish, and shortly afterwards a chief followed from the shore, who immediately came on board with his son, in his canoe, there were some very fine men, I asked him if he had seen Quaterra whom I had sent on shore, he told me he had not, and immediately showed me a pocket knife which he had tied to a string round his waist, which he highly valued and informed me, that it had been given to him by Quaterra a long time before; I was much gratified that we had been so fortunate as to meet with a chief who knew our friend Quaterra, as we were now likely to obtain fully the object of our visit, I told them my name, with which they seemed well acquainted, and immediately enquired after a young man belonging to that place who had lived with me some time previously; his Brother was in the canoe and greatly rejoiced he was to see me, he made the most anxious enquiries after his Brother, I gave him every information I could; We were now quite free from all fear, as the natives seemed desirous to shew their attention to us by every possible means in their power, I then informed the chief we wanted some Kōpū and Potatoes, he requested me to send one of our people on shore in his canoe and he would send for some immediately, I ordered one of the New Zealanders (belonging to the active), into the canoe as I did not think it prudent to send a European; The chief and his son remained on board, they seemed very happy and much gratified with our confidence in them, I explained to the chief the object of our Voyage, and informed him that the Active would continue to visit them from time to time, and Messrs Kendall, Hall and King would settle at the Bay of Islands for the general benefit of their Country. I also gave him a printed copy of Governor M<sup>r</sup> Quarries Instructions to Masters of Vessels relative to them; I explained their meaning which he comprehended and much approved of, and directed him to shew these instructions to all the Capt<sup>ns</sup> of Vessels that touched there as they would be a protection to them. He received these instructions with much satisfaction. In a short time other canoes came to the active, and brought abundance of the finest Fish I ever saw, Our Decks were soon covered with them, we had now a number of Natives both on board and a long side, who behaved with the greatest propriety we traded with them for Fishing lines, and other articles of