

joining their noses together, I was much gratified to see
 these Men at unity once more and sincerely wish that
 this peace may never be broken; and considered the time
 well enjoyed while we had been detained by adverse Winds;
 The chiefs took their leave after this much pleased with
 our attention to them, and promised never to injure any
 Europeans in future, having now nothing more to do and
 the Wind becoming favorable, in the afternoon we weighed
 and stood for the Bay of Islands and reached the mouth
 of the Harbour that night, but for want of wind we could
 not get in; about 10 o'clock the next morning we entered
 the Mouth of the Harbour and was met by a War
 canoe belonging to Koro Koro who resides upon the South
 side of the Harbour. In this canoe were Koro Koro's son
 and a number of his servants. They were all greatly rejoiced
 to see their chief, He left his son on board and immediately
 went on shore in his canoe. About 3 o'clock on Thursday
 the 22nd December we anchored on the north side of
 the Harbour about 7 Miles from the Head in a cove
 opposite to the Town of Ranghee - too where Diaterra
 was want to reside to the great joy of his people. The
 active was soon surrounded with canoes from all
 quarters, on going ashore Diaterra and Shunghee
 found all their friends and relatives well who wept
 much for joy at their return and the Women cut
 themselves in a similar manner to those at the Cavalles
 with shells and flints till the blood flowed down. It
 was in vain to attempt to persuade them not to do this,
 as they considered it the strongest proof of their affections,
 The next day we landed the Horses and Cattle and fixed
 upon a place for the present residence of the Settlers and
 began to clear away the Rubbish, and prepare for erecting
 the Houses for their reception on a piece of ground adjoining
 to the native Town pitched upon by Diaterra and the