

Mr. Kendall in order that he might instruct him. I answered Mr. Kendall's House was not ready yet, or he should go, but as soon as it was, and Mr. Kendall could accommodate him, I wd. speak to Mr. Kendall and was sure he wd. receive him with this he was satisfied. It may not be improper here to notice a conversation I had with the two chiefs Tupel and Timmarangha sometime after this relative to Mr. Kendall's school, he had already begun to teach the children, and had taken into the school 2 fine Boys, the sons of a common Man at Ranghee Koo, these chiefs told me it was of no use to teach the children of the common people, that they had no Lands or servants, and wd. never rise higher in rank than their parents, but that it wd. be very good to instruct the sons of chiefs. From what I learn there appears to be no middle class of people in New Zealand, but that they are all either chiefs or in a certain degree slaves. At the same time the chiefs neither give their commands with that authority indiscriminately to their people as a body like masters do to their servants in civil society, nor do their dependants feel themselves bound to obey them. It is true they have the power over any of their people to put them to death for theft, but as the chiefs have no means of remunerating the services of their dependants, there being reciprocal compacts between them as Master and servant, they cannot command them as a body to labour in their grounds &c. In time of War common danger they can command them to put themselves under their authority which they are compelled to do. And the inferior chiefs are also obliged to attend upon their superiors with their people in the field of battle, the chiefs have domestics to dress their provisions, attend them in their canoes, cultivate their lands or any other menial services. and all such are wholly under their authority. I then took my leave of his people and returned to the Active which had got under way, but was obliged to anchor again the tide running so strong she co. not stem it with the light Wind she had. When I arrived some of the chiefs informed me, that