

contempt for any who have injured them, they appear to live in unity and peace amongst themselves when under the Government of one chief. I saw no quarrelling while I was there. They are kind to their Women and Children, I never observed either with a mark of violence upon them, nor did I ever see a Woman struck. The settlers told me they had never seen any differences with the inhabitants at Ranghee Ho during the time they had resided there, and I think differences are rare amongst those of the same tribe, or belonging to the same Village. Upon the South side of the Bay of Islands, I was informed, that no injury had been done to any Europeans since Capt. Cook was there; The two Brother chiefs Terra and Tupu are exceedingly well disposed Men, and would never allow the least act of violence to be committed upon the Europeans. They frequently stated the injuries that they and their people had suffered from the English, and that one Master of a Vessel not long ago had shot 2 of their Men dead, notwithstanding this outrage they had not retaliated upon the Europeans, and mentioned this as a proof how much they wished to cultivate our acquaintance, they told me I need not be under any apprehension for the safety of the Active while she remained with them; In answer I said she should be constantly employed for their good and to enable them to improve their Country; and that they might consider her as belonging to New Zealand. That she would not come to visit New Zealand from an expectation of receiving any advantage from them; one of the chiefs replied they were convinced of that for they had nothing to give. I recommended to them to procure and dress what Flax they could against the return of the Active, which would be in 3 months, and I would send such articles as they wanted to pay them for it which they promised to do. I am convinced, that little good can be done amongst the Natives of New Zealand without a Vessel which would secure the lives of the Europeans settled on the Islands, and materially conduce to the civilization of the people by offering frequent opportunities to the chiefs to visit Port Jackson, where they might see the habits and taste the comforts of civil life; They would acquire more knowledge