

in one months residence in New South Wales than they could for a long time in their own Country tho' the Europeans were with them, A single View of our Houses with their furniture our public buildings, His Majestys stores & Granaries together with our arts and cultivation, would so much extend their views, that they would never lose the imprefion; When I took Tupai and Timaranga to view our general Hospital, their astonishment was greatly excited, and immediately took its demeritions in order to be able to tell what they had seen, observing to me, their Country was in an ignorant state, and that no work was done there. - Notwithstanding the remark of Tupai the natives are too active and industrious a race of Men to be satisfied with the mere residence of a few solitary European Individuals among them; They will require to be frequently visited and supplied with tools of Agriculture. Iron is the only Article which they at present value, Fire Arms excepted, they are very bold and daring, and undertake difficult enterprises having little means of cultivating their lands for the want of Iron and quite destitute of every kind of grain before the active went. - They have no commerce with other Nations. The only profefion, therefore these Chiefs may be said to follow is War; It is no uncommon thing for the North Cape to travel thro' the Country to the East Cape, lying in the River Thames a distance of near 300 Miles to War, this is a great undertaking when it is considered there are no regular roads, no Bridges over Rivers, and little means of support in an uncultivated Country such as New Zealand. I am the Otahetian told me he had been three times within the last 5 years at the East Cape to War, in company with one thousand Men. When they arrive in the territory of those whom they are going to plunder it is only for a few Months, or a few Prisoners of War, While the active lay at the River Thames, we observed a number of Canoes upon the Beach, and enquired where they came from, and was informed, that they belonged to some