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that he could not raise his hand to his mouth he said he would  
eat when he was able or had breath enough, being so weak having no kind  
of nourishment since the 18 / 23 M. Marsden seen him for the last time as the  
Active sailed this Day for Port Jackson, March 2 it was reported the  
natives were carrying Duaterra to his burying place, which they  
would have done some time before if he had not prevented them by  
loading a Pistol saying he would shoot them, if they attempted to move  
him, 3 Early in the morning the natives told us Duaterra was Dead,  
M. Kendall and I went to see him, he was surrounded with his nearest  
friends, a number of natives round about weeping and cutting themselves  
untill the blood ran freely down, so we was called up at break of day to  
go and see him, M. Hall and I went with a number of natives to Tippoo=<sup>na</sup>  
they was crying as before and making a doleful noise, so we returned  
about nine o'clock, not long after the natives came and told us that his  
head Wife had hung her self with a peice of green Flax upon a tree  
at a short distance from Duaterra, they all said it was very good  
at N-2- Without doubt he was a well wisher to his own people, and  
to the English, at the same time it is evident he had no knowledge  
of Religion, sowing Wheat, planting corn, making Farms was  
his favourite employ and the topic of his conversation, he wanted his  
people to be like white people to have Bread &ea Sugar Clothing &c  
At the time of his illness and to his Death it seemed to be the most of care  
and talk to take care of us, he advised us to leave N-2- as the people were very  
bad in genroal, if not leave, it was his care daily to charge his people to take care  
of us & to defend us to their utmost

In this short time we have had many things very disagreeable and distressing  
to beare with not only from blacks but from whites also, at this time  
things are beginning to mend ~~and~~ when things are conducted according to things  
that are honest true just and of good report there is some hope of concord & peace