

July 9, 1815, Sunday morning one of the Prisons was put on board the Native  
the natives was surprised, Pomarre shed tears when he seen him and asked what he had done  
then he went up to the P, & asked him whether he had been stealing, Kacoo & his wife and  
Duaterro's Orphen with a number of natives attended divine service, many of them observe the  
sabbath will do no work at our place, at Whittanghe, and at Tarros & Tupce's places  
13. Ewhora our girl began learning to knit, as she was so wild we could not keep her in, so we  
promised her some beads if she would learn, to this she agreed, we have much to bear with them <sup>have need of patience</sup>  
15. M. Kendall, & I went to see Tarros and Tupce & taken them some seed wheat their men & women  
was at work in the field, preparing the ground for corn, they are preparing twice as much land  
this year as they did last, we went to see Pomarre place, he being gone to Port-jackson they  
all received us with gladness & treated with kindness  
23. I went to see a dead man, the people around him was crying & cutting themselves in an horrid  
manner, there appeared to be half a pint of blood on the ground, which ran from their fore  
breasts & harms, I told them the dead could not hear nor see it was no good to him it was  
good to cry but not to cut themselves, as I could not speak in their own tongue I could say but little  
on the horrid practice or about the effectual remedy of it, the three girls that live in our  
settlement came to see the corpse they seemed anxious to go back, as soon as I was going they came with  
me, I asked them if it was good to cut themselves they told me it good to cry but not to cut  
themselves, knowing this to be my opinion, here is but very few that will <sup>do</sup> it is no good to cut  
in N<sup>o</sup> 2, while I was there I seen a young man (who had been among white people for six  
or seven years could speak english well) go and kneel down at the feet of the corpse and  
six or seven more and cut themselves in the above manner, and make a dolefull noise  
when they leave off more goes at their pleasure & there was a young lad living at M. Kendall's  
told me he would cry & cut himself by and by it was very good in N<sup>o</sup> 2,  
24. Tanna a young lad about fourteen years old came to live with us to day to learn to  
read & to spin Twine &c upon condition he will not steal & will follow my direction, he is  
a promising youth very active & quick in learning, but so wild and unsettled, the  
natives when at port-jackson are ready to learn, they are not so here upon their own  
ground, they are as capable of learning a trade or any thing else as we are if they  
had a taste for it, but confinement they cannot bear, therefore much patience is required  
to let them come & go almost as they please, it must not be expected that they will  
keep to learning or working as our selves one day with us, or a part of it the next or part  
of it playing and dancing about, perapt if I go out & ask them to come in to read or work  
they will begin dancing & shouting & laughing saying by and by  
25 bought a small garden for an ax. & sowed wheat in it  
27. While while I was working in the garden a man came to me to sell me some land  
to sow wheat I told him I would work to sow an ax to morrow