

(Enclosure)

~~Recd. Sep. 5/16, by the Nathampton~~

~~Adm. Sep. 5/16, by the Sir Wm Bingley~~

Wednesday, April 12th 1815

This day the Magistrates assembled at Sydney by the special orders of His Excellency the Governor

Present	D'Arcy Wentworth	} Esquires
	William Broughton	
	Alexander Riley	
	Simon Lord	

Four charges were preferred by the Rev. Samuel Marsden, Clerk, as Agent to the Church Missionary Society in London, against Mr. Lucas Jones, Master of the King George for acts of fraud and cruelty committed upon the property and persons of the Natives of New Zealand, on a late and former cruise, viz.

First— For depriving in company with the Jefferson Whaler a chief belonging to the North Cape of New Zealand of five bags and a large quantity of potatoes, in consequence of which two boats belonging to the Jefferson were in danger of being cut off & their crews massacred.

Secondly— For compelling Terra and Toopee, two brother chiefs on the south side of the Bay of Islands while the King George lay in their Harbour in company with the Jefferson, to dig forty baskets of Potatoes when they were not ripe, and forcibly taking them from them without making them any recompense for the same.

Thirdly— For sending a boat on shore in Cook's Straits in the evening and bringing off to the vessel the wives and daughters of the Natives against their