

Parramatta 28 October 1815.

Recd. Sep. 5/16, by the Northampton

Ans. Sep. 5/16, by the Sir Wm Bensley

Dear Sir

I mentioned in my public Letter to the Society forwarded by the Sydney Packet in June last, that Quaterra was dangerously ill at the time I left New Zealand in February, and was very apprehensive he would not recover. I was much concerned to hear from Mr. Kendall's last communication, that Quaterra died about 4 Days after the Active sailed; As this young Chief has been one of the principal Instruments in the hands of a wise and gracious God in preparing a way for the introduction of the Arts of civilization, and the knowledge of Christianity into his Native Country, the following short narrative of his Life since I became acquainted with him nearly 10 Years ago, may not be uninteresting to the Society. In 1805 the Argo Whaler commanded by Mr. Baden, put into the Bay of Islands for refreshments, On the Argo leaving the Harbour Quaterra embarked on board of her with two of his Countrymen. The Argo remained upon the Coast for about 5 Months and then returned

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