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years in the vessel, and, has always behaved
well, and has had good health - The natives of
N. Zealand must become better acquainted
with habits of civil life, before they will
be governed by them - (You will learn the death
of Pennance before this arrives - God has in his
goodness done great things for these Islands - The
Representative sent out by the Lords M. J. will
I am sure make a very satisfactory Report
to the Christian world - They cannot do otherwise.
His Majesty's Ship, the Porpoise, commanded
by Captain Gambier, (Stephen of Lord Gambier's)
touched at the Islands on his way from South
America, to N. Wales, and was at my house
yesterday - he and his officers give the most
gratifying account of the progress of Christian-
ity and civilization in these Islands - Perhaps
you may see Captain Gambier after he
arrives in England - These things are very wonderful
when we consider the state of barbarous nations - Their
superstitions, Ignorance and Vices - none can form
any Idea, that human nature is sunk so low
who have not seen with their Eyes, and heard
with their ears the debased state these ~~the~~ Natives are in