

Hanson weighed anchor and sailed for Norfolk Island. The two young Chiefs not being aware of the ship's sailing, and, when they came on deck, seeing themselves at a considerable distance from the Land, and all their Canoes returned to the shore, became much alarmed for their personal safety. Lieut. Hanson and his Officers did what they could to pacify their minds, being anxious to carry them safely to Norfolk Island, and deliver them to Captain King, who was at that time Lieut. Governor of that Island and wanted some Newzealanders to instruct Europeans how to dress the flax, which grew there spontaneously and was of the same quality with the flax of Newzealand.

I have always considered this circumstance as one of the first apparent steps, adapted by Divine Providence, to prepare the way for the introduction of the Gospel into Newzealand.

Captain King treated Hoodoo and Tokee with the kindest attention: they lived at Government House, and every thing was done to quiet their minds and gain their confidence.

When they had resided with him about nine months, the Merchant ship "Britannia" (on her way to the Cape of Good Hope for supplies