

injury to himself, the crew, nor to the vessel.

The *Active* having safely arrived in Port, I lost no time in calling upon His Excellency for the fulfilment of his promise. My leave of absence was immediately granted, and, with all convenient dispatch, I embarked in company with the Missionaries, their families and five chiefs - namely - Shunghee, Korokoro, Toui, Toui's brother, and Duattera.

We sailed from Sydney-Cove 19th Nov^r and reached the Bay of Islands, in New Zealand, on the 22nd December 1814. - After arranging all matters respecting the Mission, as well as circumstances would permit (which will be detailed hereafter) I left the Island, in the same vessel, about the first of March 1815. Duattera was then dangerously ill, and, as I afterwards learned, he died four days after the *'Active'* sailed for Sydney. - The Death of this Chief was a very afflictive dispensation; he was a man of comparatively great knowledge, loved his Country and was most anxious for its welfare. - His Character, Conduct, and sufferings will be better seen in the following Memoir, which has already been published. -

Memoir of Duattera -

In the year 1805 the *'Argo'* whaler commanded by a Mr. Baden put into the Bay of Islands
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