

were gratefully received. - After some conversation, I mentioned that the New Zealanders, had been guilty of great cruelties towards the Europeans, particularly in the case of the "Boyd" they replied "The Europeans were the first aggressors; by inflicting corporal punishment on their Chief". - I also told them, that Mr. Barnes (the Master of the Jefferson whaler) when at Port Jackson, had informed me, that they had acted treacherously towards him, in attempting to cut off two Boats, belonging to the ship, when she was last at the north Cape in Company with the King George. - I said, I was much concerned to hear these reports and that, if they continued to act in this manner, no European ships would visit them. - In reply to this, the Otahitean young chief stated; that the Masters of the Jefferson and King George had in the first instance, behaved very ill to them - they had agreed to give 50 Baskets of potatoes and 8 Hogs for one Musket; The Potatoes and Hogs were delivered, and divided between the two vessels. - After which the Otahitean and one of the Chiefs, went on board the King George for the musket, (which was delivered) at the same time, the Master of the "King George" demanded more potatoes and Hogs - the Chief was detained on board, and the

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