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covered with his people.

On approaching the shore we saw the Whangaroa Chiefs with their warriors encamp^{ed} on high sugar loaf hill, to our left, with colours flying &c. - The foot of this hill communicated with the sea - as soon as they saw us land, our distance from them being about half a mile, they took to their spears, struck their colours, and ran off as fast as they could. -

Duatena took a brace of large pistols, and desired me to follow him slowly, for he would come up to them at a certain point, where they must speak to him, because they could not escape by any other way. We accordingly followed Duatena, in a body, and were surrounded by a crowd of men, women, and children belonging to Shungee's tribe. - A few of the principal people ran in different directions to clear the way, and keep the crowd from pressing on us. - In a short time Duatena returned to meet us, and called on me to come forward, we accordingly mended our pace, and soon came in sight of the Whangaroa people who had stopped to receive us. - A line was formed on each side for us to pass through them. - An old woman whom I took to be a priestess, made a very great noise, and waved a flag in her hand as we advanced. The Chiefs were all seated on the ground, according to their custom, and their warriors standing up, with their spears