

Refreshment, preparations were made to go on shore. — Korokoro was to make an attack upon Duatera's people and take the place by storm; — Duatera then went on shore to prepare for the defence of his place. — A number of canoes, full of people immediately joined us belonging to other Chiefs, when Korokoro left the vessel, accompanied by Mr. Nicholas, the seaman and I, Duatera had got all his men drawn up in order, armed with their spears and other weapons of war — Korokoro's canoes advanced towards the shore in the same order of Battle in which they had approached the vessel, a Chief belonging to Duatera, quite naked, ran furiously to and fro along the beach, making a most horrid noise, and daring the Sham enemy to land. — As the canoes came nearer to the shore, those in them increased their shouts and furious gesture, at length they all jumped out of the canoes into the water, and in one compact body began the attack. — Duatera's men all retreated as fast as possible, and the others pursued them a considerable distance when Duatera's men, suddenly wheeled round, and attacked their pursuers; the Battle then became general — a number of women, were seen in the heat of the action, among whom were Tippah's old widow (apparently about 70