

Second Voyage in 1819

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The following statement contains an account of my second visit to New Zealand.

In the beginning of the year 1819 the Rev. John Butler Mrs Butler & their son, with Mr. Kemp & Mr. Francis Hall came out as Missionaries from England to join the New Zealand Mission. At this time the Bay Active was gone to New Zealand and it was very uncertain when she would return. Independent of the Missionaries, there were several mechanics wanted at the Bay of Islands for the erection of the necessary buildings, as well as New Zealand Chiefs waiting at Taranaki wishing to return to their friends. As the Master of the "General Gates" an American brig then in the harbour intended to proceed to New Zealand I made an arrangement with him to convey the above Missionaries, Mechanics & Chiefs to the Bay of Islands. It was now about four years since my first visit & I wishing to see the state of the Mission I made application to the late Governor Macquarie to accompany the Missionaries & obtained his sanction, having left directions for the Active to follow me to the Bay of Islands in order that I might return in her. The number of persons