

not safe or prudent for masters of vessels, or any of the crews, to purchase heads from the Natives: for if a Tribe knew that the head of their Chief was on board any vessel, it is more than probable that they would make an attempt on the vessel, in order to obtain the head, from the high veneration and esteem in which they hold the relics of their departed leaders

Sept. 12, 1819. Sunday. Divine Service was performed, this morning, on the beach, in the shed; when some Chiefs from distant districts attended. We met with no molestation from the Natives: they behaved with decorum; and we trust they will, ere long, esteem this Day above all other days, & become true worshippers of the only true and living God: then shall this Heathen Land, in every sense, bring forth