

measures, at my own disposal; and I spent it chiefly among the natives of the different Bays, in examining the creeks, woods, and natural productions; for about three weeks.

At this time, I told Towretta that I wished to visit Wyekotto, a river in the interior where the population is very great. He dispatched a messenger to inform some of the chiefs of my intention; and a number of them came to conduct me to their settlement. — At this time, the weather was very stormy; and a deal of heavy rain fell; I was, however, determined, if possible, to visit Wyekotto. The route to this settlement being on the west side of the Thames; it was not practicable to cross it in a canoe, owing to the boisterous state of the weather, the river being here about 15 miles over. — Mr. Anderson had been on a cruise for about ten days, on the east and west shores of the Thames, looking for spars. On his return, ~~he~~^{he} reported there were some that would answer for masts on the east shore, about 17 miles from where the Coromandel lay, in a wood belonging to Tippoohee, who would assist to get them down to the river. — This induced Captain Downie to send a Midshipman, and some of the ship's company, to cut down, and prepare this timber; & the 12th of July was the day appointed, to proceed on this duty. — As Mr. Anderson intended (after landing the party with their provisions and tools &c.) to proceed again to the west side of the river.