

in my way to prevent me. — I therefore changed my intention, and determined to visit Kipero, and to take a passage in the Launch with Mr. Anderson, to the west side of the Thames; where he intended to proceed, as soon as he had settled all his arrangements with the workmen.

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15<sup>th</sup> The Stormy weather, and heavy rain continued during the whole of the night: in the morning the Sea was very rough, with a strong wind from the western shore, which would prevent the Launch from crossing the river that day. —

Mr. Anderson then determined to return to the Coromandel, if possible; — I had sent my baggage on board, with an intention to accompany him; but, before I could get on board, the Surf broke so high upon the Beach, that I could not reach the small boat without wading through the breakers, as she could not approach near the shore, and, as there was no prospect that the Launch could possibly reach the ship that night: I thought it more prudent to remain on shore than to lie exposed to the wind and rain in an open boat, all night; and in my wet clothes. — I therefore requested Mr. Anderson to put my Luggage in the small boat, and the natives waded through the Surf and brought it on Shore again: and I took up my Lodgings with Mr. Emery (who has charge of the workmen) in one of the newly built Huts, thro' which both wind and rain penetrated. — Thus, my prospect of visiting either Wyckotto or Kipero, was, for the present at an end. —

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