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only of the things of the present life - if they had two thoughts, one of this life, and one of that which is to come, an end would be put to their wars. Mr. Williams proceeded, and the natives were very attentive during the whole service. When the Sermon was ended they sang a Hymn in their own translation, and then upon the blessing being pronounced the congregation dispersed.

The whole scene was very gratifying to me as many of the Natives seemed to understand and be much affected with what they heard.

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Monday 15<sup>th</sup> was very stormy, we could not visit any of the Camps, & therefore passed the day in conversation with such chiefs as were at Paipua, upon the evils of war, and advanced what arguments we could to dissuade them from prosecuting their destructive designs: representing to them the folly & cruelty they were guilty of in killing each other, and that if they wished to continue an independent people they ought to preserve every New Zealanders life for their mutual protection, should any foreign enemy endeavour to deprive them of their country and reduce them to slavery. That for that reason alone, they should all be united in one body for their general protection; for if they persevered in their civil wars, and murdered each other