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other they would be unable to defend themselves should they at any future time find it necessary to do so. They heard us with much attention and admitted the force of our remarks, & I doubt not will seriously reflect upon them. They urged us much to persevere in our communication with the contending chiefs, in order to conclude the terms of peace.

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The next morning accordingly ~~we~~ the Rev. St. Williams and Mr. Davis set off for the Island of Motoua to visit the army which had encamped there, with the sole view to promote the reconciliation. On their arrival they were kindly received; and they informed the chiefs what progress had already been made towards their object with the opposite parties at Kowa Kowa, & Kororavika. They replied that they would consider the subject during the night, and would leave Motoua in the morning; and if their course steered for Kororavika they would have decided upon war; but, if they directed their course to a point higher up the cove, they would meet us to arrange the terms upon which they would accept peace. When matters were so far decided Messrs. Williams & Davis returned

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home. The next morning at the dawn of day, a chief <sup>[Tonitapu]</sup> called me up, and informed