

Observations
on my fourth visit to New Zealand

In the beginning of the year 1823 the Rev^d Henry Williams with Mr Williams and family arrived at Port Jackson on their way to New Zealand. At that time there was no vessel in the Harbour in which they could proceed to their destination. About three months afterwards the Ship Brampton from England anchored in Sydney Cove; when I engaged her on the 22nd July to convey the Rev^s W. Williams and family, together with the Missionary Stores. There were also the Rev^s ^{Nathaniel Turner} ~~Samuel Leigh~~ and his lady, & Mr Hobbs who were going to join the Wesleyan Missionaries in New Zealand; there were also Mr & Mrs Farburn and two Children; and my man-servant.

The day was very fine but little wind, I felt very anxious to see New Zealand once again, to observe the progress that had been made in the improvement of the poor heathen. It is now more than two years since I left the Island; and much good and much evil since that period, had appeared amongst them; and many obstructions to the work of the Mission.