

all our light and many of the heavy stores, as the weather was fine. On Saturday night a heavy Gale came on, which drove the boats of the Actee and General Gates from their moorings and broke them to pieces. This was an unfortunate accident, as we had only a whale boat belonging to the General Gates which was not sufficiently strong to carry our heavy stores on shore. On Monday Morning we resolved to build a punt 24 feet long by 12 for the purpose of landing the heavy stores, and general use. The Gale continued on Monday with heavy rain, that nothing could be done, as we were confined to the House this day we deliberated upon the propriety of immediately forming a new Settlement where the operations of Agriculture could be carried into effect, on an extensive scale. Korra Korra Tooit brother arrived on Monday evening, who is Shunghee's opponent, and commands a large extent of the Coast, on the south side of the bay of Islands. The two Chiefs were soon acquainted with our intentions of forming a new Settlement, and were both equally anxious to have us within their respective jurisdictions. Shunghee said he would give us our choice of all his lands, and any quantity we might wish. Korra Korra was ready to do the same. It was agreed upon that we should proceed on Tuesday Morning to Kiddee Kiddee, the district about 12 Miles from Ranghee Boon, where Shunghee carries on his principal cultivation of sweet and common Potatoes. Accordingly after setting the natives to cut the timber for our punt, and giving the necessary directions to the Carpenters, myself, The Rev. J. Butler Mess<sup>rs</sup> Francis & William Hall, set off with Shunghee in his war Canoe for Kiddee Kiddee where we arrived in the afternoon, and proceeded immediately to examine the Country. I had surveyed this part of the Land, and about 14 Miles to the West of it, when I was in New Zealand in 1815, and considered this district the most promising for a new Settlement of any I had met with in New Zealand. The soil being rich, the land pretty level, free from Timber, easy to work with the plough

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