

That had lately come. I replied, the number were so few,
I could not divide them, if I did we should not be able
to shew them the advantages of a farm, and other improv-
-ements which we intended to make, but assured them,
if they behaved well to the Missionaries in the Island at
present, I would, as soon as I could, get them one, or
more, to live in their District: but I could not make them
a full promise, adding, if one should come, he might
be unwilling to live with them. They answered, they would
not wish to compel a Missionary against his will, to
live with them, but if he was sent for their benefit,
and did not, they should request, that he might be
sent back again to Port Jackson, and not permitted to
live with Shunghee. Temmarangha who is one of the
Principal Chiefs, and had lived with me a short time at
Parramatta, said he wanted a man who could preach,
teach children to read, and write, administer medi-
-cine when they were sick, and show them how to culti-
-vate their land. With regard to the charges of Cruelty
against them, they stated, that the Europeans had
killed many of their Countrymen, upon the most trivial
occasions, and some instances they mentioned, where
they had been shot without committing any offence.
They had also often defrauded them of their property,
and ill treated their Women. The Boyd was cut
off, in consequence of the Chief being flogged by the
Captain. And with respect to the ship New Zealand,
they said, a Chief, a near relation to Tippahce
named Tarria, stole a Musket from the People
who were wooding upon his land, as a satisfaction
for the Europeans storming Tippahces Island and
killing his people, when the men returned to the
Vessel and informed the Captain, he sent ^{two}
crowned boats who fell in with a party belonging to ^{the} Chiefs
who was giving us this account. They informed the Sailors
that they were not the people who had stolen the Musket:
but the Sailors either thro' Ignorance, of the Language, or
wantonness, fired upon the innocent party, twice, when
the Natives attacked them; and two of the white People were
killed. Afterwards the Sailors shot Tarrias Uncle, in
which fray an European was killed. The Chiefs on the
South side of the Harbour, as three white men had been
killed, and only one New Zealander, demanded satisfac-
-tion, according to the law of Retaliation for the death of