

however Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Hall, and King, offered their voluntary services, as none are compelled to come without their free consent. They accordingly accompanied me to Port Jackson. When they arrived there, they were under considerable distress of mind, on account of the destruction of the Boyd, and waited 4 years untill Mr. Kendall's arrival, as has been already stated: When I purchased the Active, and sent Mr. Kendall and Mr. Hall over to see whether or not, they dared to venture to live amongst them. After Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Kendall and Hall had visited them, they resolved to come, with their families; whether they were killed and eaten, or not killed and eaten. Accordingly, they came along with me. After remaining a short time, and observing the conduct of their Countrymen, they wrote to England for more Europeans. But Masters of Ships and other persons who were prejudiced against them, from the reports of their savageness, and eating human flesh, wrote against them, which intimidated the Society, and tended to discredit all that Mr. Kendall and I could say, in their favour. It was not until the Missionaries had resided in New Zealand more than three years, that the Society ventured to send any more from England, and if they wished those Missionaries to remain in the Island, they must be kind to them, and not alarm them, and make them uneasy, by tedious applications for Axes, and Boes &c. best they should retire quietly from them, as the Missionaries had formerly done from Otaheite, with an intention never to return, had not Pomare from time to time solicited them to return. In answer to the above, the Chiefs said, that they had never understood the object of the Missionaries so clearly before, and with respect to the main ground of the Europeans' fears of being killed and eaten, they contended that this was altogether on our part groundless; that it was absurd to suppose that they would act so contrary to their own interest as to kill and eat people who came to live quietly, amongst them, and introduced so many articles of real