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I had heard so much the preceding day - The New Zealanders appear to entertain an idea that the Deity resides in the head of a Chief, as they always pay the most sacred veneration to the head - If they worship any Idol it is the head of their Chiefs - as far as I am able to form an opinion of their worship - On the present mournful occasion a great number of persons had assembled together from a great distance to comfort the mourners, and to pay their respects to the remains of the departed Chief his relatives cut themselves according to their custom till the blood streamed from their faces arms, and breasts - The more they wound their bodies, the more they believe they shew their love for their departed friends. When I told them that the Europeans did not cut themselves in such a manner for their dead, but only wept, they replied the Europeans did not love their friends as the New Zealanders did, or they would do so to; to hear their loud lamentations night and day for the loss of a relative, shews what a state of darkness and ignorance they are in - They sorrow as men without hope - Reason can find no sufficient remedy to relieve the human mind in the day of trouble, it wants a more solid consolation than Reason can give - It wants a divine Revelation to enable the surviving Husband, Wife or Father to say with David "I shall go to him but he shall not return to me" - After we had visited the Attua, and mourners, we proceeded on our journey, and met as we passed along the natives coming from different parts to see the Attua, we also fell in with Titerra a chief