

were strong healthy young Men - Ori was possessor
of three Mats at the time of his death which
he directed his father to send to me after he
was dead, these I received with the news of
his death, at the Bay of Islands, 7 have
died this year who were living with me
at the beginning of it 4 at New South Wales
and 3 at New Zealand, these young persons
belonged to the first families in the Bay
of Islands! How mysterious are the ways
of God they are past finding out, I had
fondly imagined that some of these youths
who are now no more, would upon their
return to their native Country have promoted
the general welfare of their Countrymen,
and forwarded by their superior knowledge
of civil life their civilization, but Gods
ways are not as Mans ways neither are
his thoughts as Mans thoughts, when
I had conversed with the Parents of these
youths, I have been much struck with their
patient resignation of some of them to
the afflictive dispensation - ~~One of the~~

One of the principal Chiefs when he heard
that his Son was dead at Parramatta
came on board the Dromedary with his
wife - they both wept much - He was a
fine youth and their only son - He requested
me not to fret for his Son, observing
as he was dead he was happy he had