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till it became narrow, and shut in by the Land on both sides.

With this view we left the Village: and past thro' four more Villages upon the banks of the River, when we stopt to breakfast.

The Chiefs Wife of the Village was very attentive, she made her little Hut as comfortable as she could - laid down a new Mat for me to sit upon, and by every little act of kindness shewed her anxiety to please.

July 18

During our stay here, the rain fell very heavy, and the wind blew a gale. In about an hour the storm moderated, and we proceeded, and past three more Villages, when we arrived at the Kippah of the Head Chief Tippooke.

This Kippah is situated at the mouth of the fresh water river, on a beautiful eminence which commands the River Thames both above and below - The prospect is very extensive.

There is a large flat of good Land both above and below and in the rear of this Kippah, well adapted for the growth of Grain. A Creek of Salt water about one hundred yards wide runs from the main River round to the rear of the Kippah till it meets a fresh water stream.

The Creek was navigable for small craft where I crossed it. A battle had been fought upon its Banks a few Months ago: when one Chief was shot.

They shewed me the Spot where he was standing, and the bush behind which the Enemy lay concealed when he was shot.

When we arrived at the Kippah it was too late to proceed up the Thames. After taking some refreshment in the evening I got a Canoe, and went up the fresh water stream, which flows down between some high Hills from the Interior. A large body of water comes down this Creek occasionally. The Land upon its banks exceeding rich and could easily be cultivated with the Plough.

In the Valley thro' which it runs I met a number of Natives returning from their work, and walked back with them to the Kippah. In the Kippah there was a Brother of Tippookees, and several other Chiefs. Tippookees was not there. I spent the evening with them in conversation upon the ruinous consequences of war, the advantages of civil government, agriculture and Commerce.

Tippookees Brother appeared a very mild sensible man, and expressed his disapprobation of the conduct of many of the Chiefs who were always fighting, and brought great distress upon the inhabitants. The last Year their Tribe had been attacked both by the People at the Bay of Glounds and also by the Tribes on the west side, and had suffered much, and expected to be attacked again by the latter.

I told him I would see the Chiefs on the west side on my return, and make peace between them if I could. Termananga informed me that this Chief never went to war, he disliked it so much. He presented me with some fine Mats, and for which I gave him some edge Tools.

I was accommodated with a large Hut for the Night, and on retiring to rest, informed him I should want a good Canoe in

the morning.