

1820 and sufficient sacrifices and atonement for the sins of the world. With peculiar feelings for my Companions, and with a grateful sense of my own mercies I lay down to rest free from the fear of danger.

July 21st. This morning we arose at the Dawn of day and immediately prepared for our Journey. I felt myself much refreshed from the comfortable rest I had in the night. We walked about two Hours when we sat down made a fire, and cooked our Breakfast. The day was very favourable, and the walk over the plain pleasant, as the road was generally good; with the exception of a few small Swamps occasioned by some Land Springs. The Ground upon this plain is, for the most part fit, for cultivation, and would be very easily wrought with the plough. After we had walked a few Miles we observed five young Women coming over the plain - As soon as they saw us they were alarmed and ran back again. One of our party run after them, and overtook them, when they stop till we all came up. They informed us that A-necnee one of the Head Chiefs was gone on a war Expedition to the Southward, but that his Wife was at Home, and A-warree a Chief with whom Temmaranga had been at war the beginning of this year. After they had answered our inquiries they ran forward to inform the inhabitants of our coming. When we reached the High Hills which overlook ^{Towrangha} Mercury Bay laying about a mile below. I sat down upon the summit of one of the highest to take a view of the Ocean, Islands and main land. The prospect is very grand - I observed one Island out at Sea, 15 Leagues or more distant from the main, sending up immense Columns of Smoke. I desired Temmaranga to give me some information respecting the Islands, the Hills on the Coast, and in the interior, with which he was acquainted. He satisfied all my inquiries and afterwards gave me the following account of his last visit to ^{Towrangha} Mercury Bay. Having sat himself down by me, he began by stating that the last time he came to ^{Towrangha} Mercury Bay was on a War Expedition, which originated in the following cause. Some years ago, a Niece of his had been taken from Dream Head by a Brig from Port Jackson, and afterwards sold to a Chief at ^{Towrangha} Mercury Bay named Shawkoree who still resides there, and she became his Slave. Shawkoree, and another Chief named A-warree had some difference, when this young woman was killed by A-warree or some one of his Tribe, roasted and eat. Sometime afterwards Temmaranga was informed of the Fate of his Niece, and felt himself bound to revenge her Death for the Honour of his Tribe, and in Justice to his departed Relative, as soon