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the Bay of Islands. On stepping into the Launch alongside the ⁽⁵¹⁾Coromandel I observed a woman veiled up under a mat, and was informed she was the wife of a Chief who was gone on a war Expedition to the Southward, and had formed an attachment to my Friend Temmaranga, and was determined to accompany him to the Bay of Islands - I immediately requested Mr. Anderson the 2^d Master to order this Lady out of the Launch, and informed Temmaranga no woman of her Character could be allowed to go with me: as she was another mans wife she must be left behind, for when her husband returned from the war, and found that his wife had been taken away in his absence, he would seek revenge and probably blame the Europeans. Temmaranga made no objections to her being put out of the Boat. He said it was her own wish to go with him. The Lady was then ordered out, but she would not move. The Sailors were then directed to take her out by force. She made all the resistance in her power, but was at length placed in a Canoe, and the Launch put off immediately. When we had got about two hundred yards from the Ship we observed this Lady swimming after us, and making every exertion to reach the Launch. Temmaranga was much agitated now, called out to me saying she would be drowned and wished the Launch to be put back to save her life. I told him she was a bad Character, and we could not put back for her, and that he need not be alarmed for she would return to the Ship when she saw her efforts to gain the Launch, were in vain. She soon saw herself drop astern very fast, and we observed her turn again towards the Coromandel, which relieved Temmaranga's anxiety. Our passage across the Tames was very pleasant, and we anchored the same Evening at Magoa, situated between forty and fifty Miles from the Coromandel. As it was midnight when we anchored, I remained all night on board the Launch, tho' the Air was very cold. E-nakkee one of the principal Chiefs of Magoa was with us. He had been a few Days on board the Coromandel, and had accompanied me with the intention of conveying me in his Canoe to the Bay of Islands -

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At the Early this morning E-nakkees Son with several of the Natives came off to the Launch which lay about four miles from the Settlement, when his Father went on shore. E-nakkee is a great Warrior, a very fine tall handsome man, apparently about 30 Years old