

62/ has been in many actions, Mr. Anderson and I had the 1820
curiosity to count the Scars on his Body which he had
received from Spear wounds, and found them to amount to Aug 13
fifty. One of his front Teeth had been knocked out with
a Pato Pato, and another broken. After breakfast, Mr.
Anderson accompanied me to Maqoa - It is a very populous
Settlement, and contains the finest race of People I had seen
in New Zealand, and very healthy - Their Houses are
superior to most I have met with. Their stores full of
Potatoes containing some thousands of Baskets, and they
had some very fine Hogs. The soil is uncommonly
rich, and easily Cultivated. The number of Women and
Children was very great, but most of the fighting men
were gone on a war expedition to the Southward. After
visiting the different Chiefs, I returned on board the Launch
for my Baggage, and when relanded E-nakkee provided me
with a good Hut for myself and Native Companions, and
supplied us with plenty of Potatoes, and such food as they
had - I have met with two Chiefs from Kiperro; one of
whom was a Priest of great note amongst the Natives.
His name is Moodse akhou - The name of the other Chief
was An-woe - They expressed their regret that they had
not seen me when I visited Kiperro, and observed a
number of People had assembled at the Village where
I had stop in hopes of seeing me, but on their arrival
they found I had returned, by which they were much
grieved and disappointed. I endeavoured to convince
them that I was as much disappointed as they could be,
as it was my wish to have seen them all if my time
would have allowed me; but that I was compelled to
return at the time I did in order to meet the Ships
Launch on a certain day, and could not have got back
again to the Commodore. I found the Priest ^a remarkable
mild man, and so was the other Chiefs. We spent the
Evening in Conversation on various Subjects - The Hut I
was in, was crowded with Natives: and great numbers
surrounded the outside. I informed E-nakkee that I
wished to sail for the Bay of Islands the next morning -
He told me this would be impossible, as the Canoe would
require to be put into complete repair before he could venture
to sea at this season of the Year: and that it would
take two Days before he could get her ready. This
information was very mortifying to me, as I was
anxious to return lest I should lose my Passage in
the Schooner should she come again to of Dromedary.
However I had no alternative, and was compelled to