

74/ Did not wish to be at War with any tribe: but he was compelled 1820  
to fight to protect himself and people, and that a party of Hunghees Aug 19  
Tribe was now plundering and murdering the inhabitants in  
the districts of Kiparoo, and he was afraid he should be compelled  
to appeal to arms again. He as well as most of the Chiefs  
wished for some regular Government, by which they could  
obtain protection to their Persons and Properties. Temmaranga  
explained to them how the Government of Port Jackson was  
conducted: that we had butly one King which was Governor,  
Macquarie, and he put a stop to all fighting there.  
King George he had heard did the same in England. But while  
there were so many Kings in New Zealand, there would be  
continual wars. He said Captain Downie of the Commodore  
had written to King George, to send a man of war to New  
Zealand, and he thought when she came, the Country would  
be greatly benefited, as she would prevent the People from  
the Bay of Islands from coming to the river Thames and  
Kiperoo to plunder and murder the inhabitants. Moodepanga  
wished to know if the ship would come round to the Kiperoo  
River. I told him that, would depend upon the Harbour, if  
the entrance was good and the Harbour safe, I had no doubt,  
but she would. But if there was a bar across the Harbour  
mouth a ship could not get in. He said there were plenty  
of fine spars on the banks of the river in his districts if  
ships could come for them, which he very much wished.  
He should also like some Europeans to reside with him  
for the benefit of his people. I told him much would  
depend upon the River, and Harbour, but till these were  
examined nothing could be done in that respect. His  
residence is very beautiful. In view of the river Kiperoo,  
and the Land about him very good, tho' of a light sandy  
nature - completely free from Stones as far as I observed.  
A deal of it would grow fine wheat and barley. The  
Country has the remaining vestiges of a great Population;  
but is now thinly inhabited. In the Evening I returned  
again to my former Lodgings; the next day being the Aug 29  
Sabbath I wished to spend it there, and on Monday to  
proceed on my Journey - We arrived at Sunset, and  
spent the Evening in a long conversation upon the immor-  
-tality of the Soul which Doctrine is universally believed  
amongst them; the Resurrection of the Body which they  
could not comprehend, tho' they did not deny the Possibility  
of the Resurrection of the Body. I stated to them the Happier