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hear with from the Heathens untill they become
better acquainted with their customs and manners

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Saturday 16. Early this morning Mr. White & Turner
went down to the Snapper after the Stores & Baggage

I remained with Mr. Leigh as George had not yet return-
ed, we took a walk to view the Land they wished to
purchase in order that an arrangement might be
made for it as soon as he arrived - While we were

in the Field we heard down the River a regular
discharge of Muskets which was kept up for some time

I was very much alarmed at their report fearing

lest some of the Sailors had insulted some of the

Natives, and that a serious quarrel had been the

consequence. I was very anxious to go down to the

River as soon as possible to learn the cause of the

Guns being fired and immediately returned

and went down to the River side in order to get

a canoe - The tide was down and I could not go

untill the return of the tide - George, Brother

Tappahew saw I was alarmed and wished to

know the cause - I told him that several

Muskets had been fired down the Harbour