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Terra-nakhee said to be a very populous situated
200 miles or more from the Bay of Islands. A Man
of high rank, a relation of Kingees named Towkashon
has been killed in this expedition. His friends secured
his body, and prevented it from falling into the enemies
hands, they cut his head off and have brought it with them
They also cut off all the flesh from the bones, and burnt
it to prevent it from being eaten, and brought
his bones with them - Here they carried a long way
over land, and they have arrived this day - There will
be great lamentation over these bones - The death of
this chief will cause another expedition against terra
nakhee - Whenever a Man of high rank is slain
in battle tho in the common chance of War
his surviving relations feel themselves bound to
avenge his death whenever they are strong
enough to do this

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last night Mr
Thomp came to Oykia, and this morning I
went with him to Mr Wendalls, as Mr Wendall
had consented to hand over some books belonging
to the Society - I renewed my conversation with
Mr Wendall respecting the native language,
as I wished to gain what information I could on
the subject, in order that I might form some
opinion in the best mode to be adopted in
learning it - I cannot rely upon my own
judgment for want of knowing more of
the language myself - From every information
I can gain it appears best to retain the
English pronunciation of the vowels following
the directions of the Grammar with respect
to the vowels but cleave the memory