

Nov 3

for the enquiry into the charges made against him, I returned to Pyhea, and took up my lodging with the Rev^d W Williams, having settled the business on board which induced me to visit Thadda Thadda - I purpose to remain here until Thursday when the investigation will take place at this settlement - I am persuaded Mr B will find great difficulty in vindicating his conduct & in wiping off the stain that has been cast upon his character -

Nov 4

4th Today a Whaler arrived in the Bay from England, having had a 4 months passage - It was very gratifying to see a ship from Europe - I went on board for a few newspapers, but the servant returned without them, in consequence of those in command on board being intoxicated -

Nov 5

I wished much to see the public papers, and this morning went on board, but found some difficulty in getting any from the Master, he seemed to be so much given up to Drunkenness I could gain little information from him -

Nov 6

Thursday 6th - This was a very uncomfortable day, the Committee met to investigate the Rev^d J Butlers conduct - It was a painful reflection to me, to see a Man in the character of a Minister of the Gospel put himself in the power of those who know not God - I was in hopes Mr B would not have exposed himself by forcing an investigation, as he had no prospect, but of disgrace by doing this - After the enquiry had closed, before the proceeding had been laid before me he demanded to know the result - I would not tell him, as I