

is directly into the Bay. The following morn^g. it was still blowing fresh. with every appearance of a gale. with this wind a heavy sea generally sets into the Bay. We considered it would be impossible for the Ship to move from ^{the} Anchorage. The latter part of Sunday it blew hard with heavy rain. also on Monday. - and on Tuesday morn^g. it being more moderate. while engaged in family prayer. the Natives ran in. in great consternation calling out in their language. that the Ship was broke. - the Ship was broke. - at first I knew not but that she were lost. as must certainly have been the case. had they got out of the Bay. - but we in a short time made out that Mr. Mansden and Mr. & Mrs. Leigh were safe landed at Kidder Kidder. This was a catastrophe we did not look for. nor had we then time to reflect upon it. - but jumping into the boats three of which were then there. we went down the river to render what assistance we could. to those on board. and to restrain the Natives from any acts of violence.

The Ship had run between two reefs. & the breakers appeared all round her. and as it still blew strong. with a heavy sea. it was not prudent to run along side. nor did seem necessary. as she could not fall to pieces. Mr. B. with two boats remained under the lee of an Island I was obliged to pass the wreck. tho' a heavy sea was running. My own station being left without any responsible person left at it. as soon as the weather was abated the boats were on board and assistance given as long as necessary.

When Canoes could approach her she was surrounded. but several Chiefs being on board the plundering disposition of the Natives was restrained. scarcely one was allowed by them to ascend the side