

I had directed the Boat to be brought on shore, for us at daylight, and soon after, Duatina arrived in the Camp. I then invited the chiefs to breakfast on board the Active, which invitation was readily accepted - we immediately went in the boat together, and several Canoes put off at the same time for the Active. - at first I entertained doubts whether the Chiefs would trust themselves to us or not, on account of the Boys, lest we should detain them while we had them in our power; but they shewed no signs of fear, and went on board with apparent confidence. I communicated to Duatina my intention to make them some presents, he told me whatever article I gave to one, I must give a similar article to another, and each article was to be given separately and to the eldest Chief first. The axes, Billhooks, Pintos &c &c which I intended to give them were all got ready, after breakfast. - The Chiefs were seated in the Cabin, in great form to receive the presents - I sat on one side of the table, and they on the other, Duatina stood and handed to me each article separately, that I was to give them. Mess^r Kendall, Hall, and King with