

the Chiefs and their Ladies who lay upon their paddles all the time. —

As soon as the dance ended on deck, they began again in the Canoes, and continued till we could hear them no longer: — They then waved their hand and returned to the shore. — One of these Chiefs promised to visit Port-Jackson and to see Duaterra at the Bay of Islands from whom they had received and returned presents during our short stay here. — These people shewed us the kindest attention and did all they could to amuse us.

I gave several of them wheat, which I hope will prove advantageous to them; I also told them, they would be able to procure axes and other tools from the Europeans at Rongheehoo for they will give anything for axes —

Duaterra with his armed men, having dressed himself in European clothing with a sword by his side, commands considerable respect from these Chiefs when on shore. —

I trust our visit to the River Thames will unite in friendship, the leading men of Rongheehoo, and those of this part of Newzealand; and that if in future any European settlers