

Missionary among them to whom they could dispose
 of their property without any of those degrading
 restraints which they were now under, what they have
 to sell is a few potatoes and Hogs, these are their
 principal Commodities, they further alleged, that
 people, had cast reflections upon them, and
 charged some of their people with Theft, which
 had made them very angry, they did not attempt
 to deny, that some of their Tribe had with or with-
 out their knowledge, taken some trifling things
 from the Europeans, but Shunghees people had
 been more guilty in this respect, they asked us
 who had put up the Boys to steal our Chisels,
 & when we landed our Stores, intimating that this
 had been done privately, either by Shunghees him-
 self or his secret agents, they thought it hard, that
 they should be equally blamed with Shunghees people
 for theft without depriving any of those profits from
 trade, which Shunghees people enjoyed, they con-
 ceived that they had not been treated with that
 respect and attention, to which their Rank and
 Power in New Zealand entitled them, that the
 Europeans were equally indebted to them as they were
 to Shunghees, for their protection - that their Tribe
 was as powerful and respectable as his, and their
 Lands more extensive - and that they had the same
 right to the Harbour, where the Ships anchored and
 the Shore, where the Boats landed, they said they
 were not offended at our making a New Settlement
 at Hiddes-hiddes where Shunghees resided all that