

“very much; and at last he said that if we would give him an axe, he would give us his head. Nothing is held in so much veneration by the natives as the head of their chief. I asked him who should have the axe when I had got his head. At length he said, ‘Perhaps you will trust me a little time; and, when I die, you shall have my head.’ This venerable personage afterwards got his axe by sending a man for it to the settlement.”