

1788.

MAY.

C H A P. IX.

The commodious Situation of Friendly Cove, in King George's Sound.—Great Numbers of the Natives assemble to view the Ship.—The Joy of Comekela on his Arrival, &c.—Hannapa, a Chief, comes on board, with some Circumstances of his Visit.—The Natives bring Supplies of Fish.—Comekela prepares to go on Shore.—His Dress, &c. and the Manner in which he is received by his Countrymen.—Employments of the Crew.—The Arrival of Maquilla, Chief of King George's Sound, with Callicum, a Person the next in Rank to him.—A Description of their Dresses, and the Ceremonies they practised on seeing the Ship.—They come on Board.—Present made them.—The Persons of these Chiefs described.—Leave obtained to build an House and Vessel, and Ground granted for that Purpose.—Presents made on the Occasion.—Callicum attaches himself to the Ship, and is appointed Protector of the Party on Shore, by Maquilla.—An House built in Friendly Cove.—Description of it.—Keel of a Vessel laid.—Some Account of the Murder of Callicum by the Spaniards, in the following Year.

THE ship had been moored but a very short time, when it began to blow a tempestuous gale of wind, with very heavy rain; the commodious situation, therefore, of Friendly Cove, made us truly sensible of our good fortune, in being thus securely placed in a protecting haven, where neither storm or tempest could alarm our fears or trouble our repose.

Our earliest attention was invited to a multitude of the natives, assembled on the banks in front of the village, in order to take a view of the ship.