

his party in boats, who narrowly escaped being plundered and having their boats taken from them by a numerous tribe of Indians, who under the disguise of offered friendship, surrounded them with their canoes, and were provided with fire-arms, which they pointed at Mr. Whidbey in such a manner as shewed their designs to be hostile; yet, observing that the boats were well prepared and ready to act on the defensive, they retreated, though their number amounted to at least two hundred. Their survey northward was now completed, and both vessels returning Southward along the exterior coast of what they had named King George the Third's Archipelago, they arrived in a port, to which the captain gave the name of **PORT CONCLUSION**; for here, the indefatigable labours of three years were terminated by a completion of the survey of the whole coast of North West America; the final service having been performed by Mr. Whidbey in a boat excursion from this port, consisting of four boats well manned. These parties visited several Islands, and passed a number of Points and Capes, to which different names were assigned by Captain Vancouver, such as **STEPHENS PASSAGE**, **DOUGLASS ISLAND**, &c. They also went on shore at some Indian villages, but had little communication with the few natives they met with.

August 22d, they put to sea from this harbour, and returning Southward along the coast to Nootka, where they found no fresh advices either from our own or the Spanish Government respecting the final settlement of that territory. They remained there, by desire of the Governor who had succeeded to the command on the death of Sig: Quadra, till the time he expected his final instructions, which he fixed to the 13th of October. In the mean time, both the *Discovery* and the *Chat-ham* underwent material repairs; and the officers of both ships were received with great civility, and were highly