

were willing to be taught, I would return next year with more of my brethren, build a house on their land, and speak to them every day of the way to life and happiness. Having entered into much agreeable conversation with them, I returned in the same boat, and staid about a fortnight longer at Quirpoint, where I had several opportunities of preaching to the boat's crew, being filled with joy and gratitude to God, who had thus mercifully heard my prayers and helped me.

"After our return to St. John's, which was attended with many hardships, I waited upon Sir Hugh Palliser, who received me with great kindness, and expressed his entire approbation of my proceedings. I returned to England in a frigate, and arrived, November 5th, with my Brethren in London. Here I entered into a negotiation with several gentlemen in office, relating to the proposed Mission on the coast of Labrador, and had several conferences with them, as also with Lord Hillsborough, who made several advantageous offers for the promotion of that cause.

"Having made another voyage to Newfoundland, I returned to Germany and spent four weeks at Herrnhut, where I gave a verbal account of my proceedings to the Brethren, to whom the direction of the affairs of our Missions was then committed. But hearing that an order of council was soon expected by our Brethren in London, to begin a Mission in Labrador, I hastened to England, where I found things not so far advanced as was expected. In 1767 I went to Zeist, in Holland, where I spent some time with much profit to my soul. But the Mission in Labrador remained the constant subject of my prayer and meditations, nor could I find freedom to accept of any appointment to other places, several of which were proposed to me, believing that God had not caused me to see such wonders of His mercy and preservation among the Esquimaux in vain.

"As the Brethren appointed to manage the affairs of the Unity were going to England this year, I asked and obtained leave to accompany them. On our arrival in London, several circumstances seemed to point out to me that the time was now come when the negotiations concerning Labrador might be renewed, and I therefore delivered a memorial to the Brethren, stating my reasons for thinking that an application to the English government would now be attended with success. I received for answer, that I had their permission to do what should appear most advisable to me in this business; and, having maturely considered my plan, and with prayer and supplication commended myself and the cause I was to serve unto the Lord, I waited upon Mr. Pownall, a gentleman in office, and delivered a petition, praying that a piece of land on the coast of Labrador might be given us, on which we might build a dwelling-house and church, and make a garden. This was well received, but the answer was sometimes delayed. Meanwhile the well-known Esquimaux woman, Mikak, was brought from Labrador to London. She rejoiced exceedingly to find in me one who could speak her language, and earnestly begged that I would return with her and help her poor countrymen, who were almost ruined, many of them having been shot in an affray which happened between them and the English. Her repeated applications were of great use in putting forward the business of the projected Mission, for she was noticed by many persons of rank and influence, and her request attended to. We now