

successful, we mean to detail at some length.

Having engaged an Indian chief, named Matonabee, as his guide, who clearly and sensibly pointed out the causes which had contributed to their former failures, and described the plan he would wish to recommend in this attempt, Mr. Hearne set out again, with a party belonging to the Indian chief, on the 7th of December 1770; and for some days they found the weather tolerably mild for that season of the year.

On the 16th, they arrived at Egg River, where Matonabee and his friends had secured, as they thought, some provisions and necessary implements a short time before. On examining the place of the deposit, however, they found the whole had been carried off by some of the Indians, who had passed that way; a loss which was severely felt by them, but borne with heroic fortitude; nor did a word of revenge, in case it should be in their power, escape their lips.