

that had been made about 14 years,\* I Told ye Indians they had acted Contrary to their agreement, which obliged them to Live in Peace, and without any molhstiation on Either Side. I told him also he must Confess their Nation had been ye first agressors, he told me they had not, and Related to me Something Concerning ye Ill Usage of prisoners at anapolis Some time past, But he was So Imperfect In ye french Tongue, yt I Cou<sup>d</sup> not Understand ye true meaning of his Discours, This Day arrived this Village one Bonus Castine from Pernobsquett, who Examined me Verely Strictly what our Cargo Consisted In &c, and wrote what I Said to him Concerning it, he told me he had Latly been on board the Countrey Sloop, Capt Sanders at Gerorges, and yt ye Prenobsquett Indians was Still at peace with ye English, and he believed would Continue So Some considerable time. I thought It was not prudence to Contradiet him, although I was Sensible there was Several Pernobsquett Indians, In ye army that we was Taken by, this night my master advised me to keep in ye Camp, and by no means Go out, and protested to me that this Bonus Castine, although he Pretended to be my friend, had Desired him to put me to Death, this Night ye Indians was Dancing and Singing, ye Greater part of ye Night.

Friday ye 12th This Day In ye morning began to make preparation for our departure, at about Eight of ye clock took our Departure from Menocetike, for Canedy, This Day we paddled against Ripplings and a Strong Current against us. This Night we Incampd By ye Side of ye River Saint Johns, Verely hungrey and Little or Nothing to Eat N N W 6 L.

Saturday ye 13th This Day Paddled up ye River of Saint Johns about 9 Leagus Ditto we was Exceeding Seant of Provisions, and Could not by any means Catch any fish nor kill any fowl, This Night we Incampd by ye Side of ye River, and ye Indians had ye Good fortune to Catch a Couple of Salmon, that was Verely Exceptable to us at that time.

14 Sunday This Day as we was paddling up ye River we pased by a Small Cove, and perceived at ye head of it, there was Salmon playing in ye Cool water at ye head of ye Cove, we Landed verely Carefully, and Cut Bushes and Brought them down to ye Entrance of ye Cove, and wile Some of us was Employed, with perches and our paddles &c thrashing in ye water, to hinder ye fish from Coming out of ye Cove, ye others built a ware across ye Entrance of ye Cove, with Bushes and our Blanketts &c and we Caught in this Cove fifty four Salmo[n] which

\* The actual date was no doubt 1728; see p. 247, *ante*.