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DREADFUL MASSACRE

OF

CAPTAIN OLIVER PORTER, & THE CREW

BY THE NORTH AMERICAN INDIANS,

In the Year 1805.

THE Atahualpa, of Boston, left that port in August, 1803, bound to the north-west coast of America, for the purpose of trading with the natives. She arrived safe on the coast in the month of January, 1804; and, after visiting the several islands, and purchasing skins, on the 5th June, 1805, weighed anchor from Chockcoe on the N. W. coast, and made sail. On the 8th, arrived at Millbank Sound, and came to an anchor within musket-shot of the village. Soon after her arrival, the chief of the Indians, by the name of Kiete, came off to the ship, with some more of his tribe, and another tribe that was there, and traded very briskly till towards night, when, becoming very insolent, they were all turned out of the ship.

On the 13th, Kicte and his tribe came on board in the morning, and seemed much more desirous to trade than before, which Captain Porter was very glad to see. The chief mate, and two of the ship's company, were then engaged in ripping the main-sail in pieces, on the quarter-deck; the second mate with two hands, repairing the main-top sail; two on the starboard side.