

to a severe beating, and be considered afterwards, through life, as having forfeited their character.

From the most laborious duties the women are not exempted, even in those times when nature calls loudly for rest, and intermission from fatigue. Immediately after child-birth they are forced to the performance of all kinds of services, in the same way as if nothing had happened. "Women," said one of the Indian chiefs, "were made for labour, one of them can carry or haul, as much as two men; they also pitch our tents, make and mend our clothing, keep us warm in the night; and, in fact, there is no such thing as travelling any considerable distance, or for any length of time in this country, without their assistance. They are, besides, maintained at a very trifling expence; for as they always cook, the very licking of their fingers in scarce time is sufficient for their subsistence."

Here all the gentler morals, such as play
Through life's more cultur'd walks, and charm the way;
These, far dispers'd, on tim'rous pinions fly,
To sport and flutter in a kinder sky. GOLDSMITH.

DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARACTER, MANNERS, AND CUSTOMS OF THE INHABITANTS OF OONALASHKA AND NOOTKA SOUND.

THE native inhabitants of Oonalashka are, to all appearance, a very peaceable, inoffensive race of people: and, it is said, that in regard to honesty they might serve as a pattern to the most civilized nations. They have their own chiefs, and seem to enjoy liberty and property without molestation from the Russians, with whom they live in great harmony, though it is evident that they have been subjected to them, and are now probably their tributaries.

A warlike breed. They the glebe
Have never turn'd, nor bound the golden sheaf
With limbs inur'd, to ev'ry manly toil.

GLOVER.