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beef, on condition that we sent our boat for it every morning; and always took care not to let the beef be seen. We willingly accepted his offer, and our boat was sent to the Royal Admiral regularly every morning, and had generally the good fortune to get the beef on board unperceived.

On the 23d our Captain went to Canton, and returned the same evening, having heard that the King George was arrived at Macao, which was a most agreeable piece of intelligence.

At noon on the 24th Captain Dixon went in the whale-boat, with seven hands, to meet the King George, in order to assist in towing her up the river, should they not have a favourable breeze.

On over-hauling our stock of provisions it appeared that we had some to dispose of; and this afternoon we sold three tierces of beef to a Leghorneze vessel which lay in the river, at twenty-four dollars per tierce.

About noon on the 25th, our consort, the King George, arrived in the river, and anchored near us; bringing all her people in good health and spirits, to our very great satisfaction.

Captain Portlock's success on the coast, after we left him, had been nothing equal to our's; indeed it was not to be expected that he could procure many furs in Prince William's Sound, though no effort was left untried for that purpose; the boats being constantly out in the adjacent creeks and inlets, at a distance from the ship.

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