

17. Clear weather; natives fishing; invited to eat seal's blubber.

18. Our chief out whaling; Returned, no success; these are very hungry times with us; for when the chief is out whaling and all his people with him we get nothing to eat, and he will not let us go a fishing with him for fear we should go away to another tribe.

19. Foggy weather; natives fishing; returned with plenty of cod fish.

*August 18. (Thursday.)* Our days have passed away without any unusual occurrence. This day a canoe arrived from the Cla-u-quate and informed us that there was a ship laying at anchor at the Cheenooks; they told us that the captain had a wooden leg, and that he was afraid to come to Nootka, he having heard of our ship's being cut off.

20. Clear weather; employed washing our shirts.

21. Fine weather; took a walk in the woods with a prayer book, and prayed most earnestly that a ship might come to our release.

*September 3. (Saturday.)* A. M. Left Nootka to go to Tashes, which is about 30 miles up the sound. We having a fair wind arrived there P. M. 4 o'clock. The natives made themselves huts of some spars. They leave Nootka every year and go to Tashes to get their winter stock of provisions.

4. Rainy weather. This day (Sunday) washed ourselves and went to prayers.

20. The natives fishing with little success; but told us next month they would go home with their canoes full. This day our chief told me, that if ever he caught me writing my journal any more he would burn it, for he said I was writing bad about him. Notwithstanding his threats I shall continue to avail myself of every opportunity to fill it up when he is fishing.

30. A canoe arrived; informed us that the same captain with a wooden leg was still laying at the Cheenooks; I asked the natives, if he knew of Thompson and myself being ashore at Nootka. They told me he did. I sent a letter by one of the natives unknown to our chief to the king of Wickeningish. When the natives returned they told me they had delivered the letter to the king, and he said he would give it to the first ship that arrived.

*October 10. (Monday.)* I went with our chief a fishing. It was very curious to see them strike the salmon with a