

the second day of June arrived at the place where Mrs. Forbes and her children were left. And here, to their great astonishment, they found the mother and one of her children alive. It was now fifty days since they were left with nothing besides the beforementioned Moose meat and tallow. Nor had they any thing else during that whole time, excepting cold water and the inside bark of the Fir tree. And in addition to this, they had been forty eight days without fire.

To paint in proper colours this scene of distress, is altogether beyond my powers of description. It must be left to the imagination of the reader.

On the 38th day after the departure of Mr. Forbes, the little boy expired. Katharine died the next day; and Mary lived but four days longer. It is remarkable that this last child had often told her mother, they should all certainly starve to death; and earnestly begged, in case her mother should outlive her, that she might be put where the wild beasts could not devour her.