

their Fashion, which they afforded us with abundance of Regret.

I was so weak that I often laid down, resolving rather to dye than follow these Savages any further, who Travell'd at a rate so extraordinary, as far surpasses the strength of any *European*; however, to hasten us, they sometimes set Fire to the dry Grass in the Meadows, thro' which we pass'd, so that our choice was, March or Burn; when we had thus Travell'd sixty Leagues a-foot, and undergone all the fatigues of Hunger, Thirst, and Cold, besides a thousand Outrages daily done to our Persons; as soon as we approached their Habitations, which are situated in Morasses inaccessible to their Enemies, they thought it a proper Time to divide the Merchandize taken from us. Here they were ready to fall out and cut one anothers Throats about the roll of *Martinico Tobacco*, which might still weigh about fifty Pound: Then arose a high dispute about the Distribution they were to make of our Persons; at last *Aquipaguetin*, as head of the Party, carry'd it; who turning towards me presented me his *Calumet* of Peace to smook in, receiving from me, at the same time, that which we had brought, and then adopted me for his Son, in the room of him he had lost in the War.

Two other Captains did the same by the two *Canoe Men*. This Separation was very grievous to us, tho' someth'ing allay'd by the

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