

he was in, supplied him every day with milk, bread, flour, and fresh butter, though his habitation was sixteen miles from the harbour where our ships were stationed.

The Russian hospital, near the town of St Peter and St Paul, was, at our first arrival, in a very deplorable state. All the soldiers were in a greater or less degree affected with the scurvy, many being in the last stage of that disorder. The rest of the Russian inhabitants were likewise in a similar condition, and we observed, that our friend the serjeant, by drinking too freely of the spirits he had received from us, had brought on himself, in the course of a few days, several of the most alarming symptoms of that disease. Captain Clarke, desirous of relieving them from this lamentable state, put them all under the care of our surgeons, and gave orders, that a supply of sour kraut, and malt, for wort, should be furnished for their use. A surprising alteration soon took place in the figures of most of them; and their speedy recovery was chiefly attributed to the effects of the sweet wort.

On Tuesday the 1st of June, two hundred and fifty poods, or nine thousand pounds weight of rye flour, were brought on board the Resolution; and the Discovery received a proportional quantity. We were supplied with this flour from the stores of Petropaulowska. The men were now put on their full allowance of bread, which, from the time of our leaving the Cape of Good Hope, they had not been indulged in. The same day we completed our stock of water, sixty-five tons having been conveyed on board.

We had fresh breezes, and heavy rains, on the