had not a days provision, & last night supped on half a biscuit & a small piece of ham — and I have now but one biscuit & the ham bone well picked remaining, & my boys have shaken the flour bag this morning & have only two small fish & six or seven small potatoes frozen as hard as stones. We are now breaking. May the Lord preserve us.

4 o'clock. We got off very wet, & the snow falling as thick as a cloud. On getting out we found a tremendous swell, & the wind while we pulled out directly from the land drifted us so far to leeward that had we been ever so desirous to return we were ~~unable~~ mean the first point that it was impossible. When we thought our boat sufficiently clear of the ~~[illegible]~~ & cut off. Then put

of our mast and hoisted about the
foot of our blanket sail and stood
for the further point about five
miles distant. The swells run
mountains high — no exagneration —
and when in the trough of the
sea we entirely lost the wind
and our sail frequently clapped
to the mast although blowing
so hard that the tops of the waves
were constantly breaking — the
snow abated & the wind fell a
little so that the sea became
a rather smoother course, but
this "only lured to decoive"
For in a few minutes the Indian
boy cried out Oh tewa — tabbetan
nemat, — oosaum — tewa ~~begon~~
ausemezemen — ~~[illegible]~~
ahkamwasum — shawabegyle
moowgom.
Oh ~~dear~~ alas, the wind is ~~coming~~ ~~blow~~
~~blow~~ too much — Alas — we shall be
lost — It all up to us — alls over now

endeavoured to quiet the poor boy's fears, & looking back, I saw the lake at a little distance foaming on every wave and the blackend surface contrasted with the white surge too looked frightful - for a moment I felt my knees tremble, but instantly looked up to God, and felt my mind calm, and a confidence in his protection. The Indian boy urged hard to let down the sail, but I still kept the halliards fast, knowing that under divine defence our safety depended on keeping the canoe under strong headway - and surely in a few minutes she had headway enough particular when on the top of the sea the swells no longer run long & broke slightly but every large sea became covered with short broken waves ~~and~~ which every moment dashed in the bow to the centre kept bailing, & the other poor fellow laid his face in his hands

in the bow of the canoe, as he has since told me, that he might not see himself drowned. The swell increased in volume ~~every~~ continually but still we kept above water & our little bark trimplay on the surf ran as if ~~conscious like our~~ partaking in our fears & our anxiety to reach the bay about half a mile ~~before~~ ahead. Through the almost miraculous mercy of God we ~~got~~ under the lee of the point and returning him thanks we jumped into the surf when near the shore and ran up our little canoe kept it by shipping very little water. I Determined now to attempt to sail no more, and accordingly we carried up our canoe into the woods, & ~~[illegible]~~ under her the ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]

my wife two blankets & the letters for the Post at Muskebegwitoong we started on foot, in two feet of snow having no snow shoes & being very wet we found it hard travelling ~~the~~ climbing & descending the mountaineous shores, at length we came to a chain of small lakes, where although there was about a foot of snow & six inches of water we travelled with much more ease than over the rocks, stopping occasionally & with the handle of the tomahawk knocking off the ice, which ~~had~~ fast accumulated on our feet & ancles. This day I ate nothing from ten hours before day until I sat down in the evening at the hospitable board of my kind friend Mr Cameron.

Mon. 19 Although something fatigued last night, thanks to God I feel quite well this morning save a slight stiffness in my shoulders. I learn that our friends here had become very apprehensive that something must have befallen us, not that they expected us earlier but the weather had been ever since we left this place, three weeks ago today so cold ~~stormy~~ that they thought our canoe must have broken on the lake, a misfortune which not unfrequently befalls voyageurs, as the birch bark becomes in ~~cold~~ severe frost so brittle as to break on the waves and sometimes crack when laying on the shore.

Several boats have been lost this fall. And unfortunately one poor fellow we all know and at this post a few days ago which doubtless added to the anxiety of ~~my~~ our friends for our

safety. A man of Mr Cameron's
arrived from the fishing house
distance up the lake, and on
attempting to enter the river he
struck on the sand bar, the
boat instantly filled, and the
sea made a breach over her
he together with one man succeeded in holding on to the boat
until they got on shore, but
one unfortunate youth was
no more, his body was found
next morning, and Mr Peter Jacob
delivered as its course when the cold
clay was consigned to its mother
dust. Mr C & his man with difficulty reached the port being
much benumbed from the
coldness of the water & the severity
of the frost.

Friday little Charles went on the
ice to play, & the snow falling
all day having covered the

water hole he fell through the ice and would have drowned in a moment, had not one of the men been on the bank & ran to his assistance. Thus we were mercifully saved from the greatest sorrow. The sea still runs so high, although the wind is off the land, that the men endeavoured in vain to go after our canoe, tomorrow we expect the swell will have subsided, wind permitting.
Mr Le's son attempted to launch his boat to day but the sea filled her and stove in some of her planking.
Tues. 20 I have been today looking back on my journey & my heart has been filled with gratitude to God for his protection in so many hours of the most eminent peril. May I live to glorify Him.
Tailoring, reading, writing & cutting wood ~~I find from Mr~~ I am informed by the gentlemen at this post that during the last week some days the thermom

ther was four & six degrees below zero, I am surprised that I did not feel the cold more sensibly when covered with ice from head to foot day after day, & sleeping in ~~roy~~ blankets. Several nights the Lord has truly given me a good degree of bodily heat for the work of this cold climate. I trust my heart will ever be kept warm in his service.

today Mr C-'s son succeeded in getting his boat out & left there after noon. The day has been fine wind North - & the thermom.r above 0

Wed. 21 ~~Thur do~~ During the night the wind again blew a gale from the west, with rain & snow Ther. 32° Reading in the fore noon & chopping after noon. Snow since noon.

Thursday 22nd. Today 4 men fetched on loading my land. Reading & unpacking my trunks Ther. M. 14° Noon 6°

Friday 23rd Making book case. & reading & chopping wood. M. 14° Noon 6°

Saturday 24th. Reading, writing & getting wood
Morn. 24° Noon 8° Mr Cossom returned.
Sunday 25th Preached at 11 from 1 Psalm
1-2v. Mild. Ther. 36°
Monday 26 Snowing. Ther. 32°
Mr Cammons son left today for
the Peak. Read W. Ser 1
Tuesday 27. Ther. 28° Wind East. Reading
& repairing accordion. W. S. 2.
Wednesday 28 Mild, Chopping Ther. 32°. Wind South
Thursday 29 Tailoring. The old man
brought our snow shoes. W. S. 3-4 Ther 35°
Friday 30 Ther 36. Snow & rain.
Wind South West. Finished pantaloon
& covered stock. Read Wes. Ser. 5.
Sat. 31 Read Wes. Ser 6. Still
made a pattern yoke - chopped
wood &c. Ther 35°. Snow soft. The
Indians left today for Mannedoo

week, 18 miles distant. Robinson's Post 180 miles. Wind S. E. Evening N. W. Colder 30°.

Lord. Dec 2nd This day has been a day of peace to my soul. I preached from Rom. 9-4-5, and Br Jacobs gave the substance in Ojibway.

Tuesday 4 Very stormy with rain the weather mild Ther 30°.

Wednesday 6 This day I have commenced a History of the Indian tribes in the British dominion & trust in God for wisdom & grace & life to finish it & render it acceptable & useful in promoting his glory.

Thursday 7 This morning about nine o'clock Sister Jacobs was delivered of a fine daughter. May God

make her a child of Grace.
Today I made the frames of a
pair of snow shoes. Read Asiatic
researches & compared the customs &
idiom of the languages with the Indian
Saturday 8 Read & chopped wood
Sunday 9 Preached from "Ye are
have a great High Priest &c.
Monday 10 Netting snow shoes, kindly
instructed by the Kinglayson.
Tuesday 11 Netting & reading
Wednesday 12 Chopping & writing
Thursday 13 Writing & comparing the
Ind. with the Magari characters
& customs.
Friday 14 Chopping & writing.
Saturday 15 Wrote & chopped wood.
Sunday 16 Preached at 12 from Psalm
8-3-4 B. Jacobs at 4 from

Dec 25 Christmas again Christmas here the birth of a Redeemer is as precious a theme for meditation as in the crowded city.

Jan 1st Welcome another year, my unfaithfulness during the past is subject matter of deep regret & my many resolves & resolves without due improvement & amendment, almost deter me from any new resolutions, at least vast ones. But on much improvement in knowledge I entend on the part year with my mind intent on study - but the cares of my former charge the business of the mission, the business of conference & a three months camp meeting

and last of all in the wilderness a dearth of books, has left me "to die in Bagdad"

My want of love to God - the corruption of my heart, - my startling sceptical temptations - and my strong attractions to leave the evil camp & settle in society, sometimes greatly alarm me - but still I desire to love God more - I groan to be delivered from the indwelling sin of my nature, I am determined through grace to be true in the Truth, and to live & die in the ministry into which God has been pleased to bring me.

Jany 18th. My birth day reminds me of the mercy of God to me he has still spared the barren

fy true. May my spared life be more than ever devoted to his service. — Feby 1st The Lord still preserves me I find much satisfaction in endeavouring to improve those whose instruction I have taken in hand. I am reading with some Volume Church History I am in two thousand straits — I am at times a fool — at times a sceptic at times a believer — I am in fact well nigh undone if I write I will be tumbling if Christianity as a Divine System be true — where is it? Where has it been? — If Methodism be true where is it — where are the perfect holy sanctified? If Calvinism be true where are the good men for I cannot convince a

good man full of sin. Christ dwelling in the heart in company with sin If the holy spirit takes possession of the heart when the soul is justified - but still unsanctified - that is sin dwells within - How are Holy & sin combined. I really cannot comprehend these things on neither Methodist nor Cal. principles - but I hope to be able to serve God through grace in Reputation, through life - I trust if I am wrong God will right me - and save me. I am not worthy of his notice, too poor & ignorant & yet vain Lord save me.

Feby 11 I pray on & preach on & believe against ten thousand things I and obstacles, I either know too much or much too little. A little learn-

myself a dangerous thing" - I know this may ~~[illegible]~~ at some time meet the eyes of my fellow men when peaceful in dust my ashes sleep - but what is that to me. While they blow my name as an unbeliever - no I deny the truth of such a charge I do believe & will believe much that I cannot comprehend - and I am more than ever resolved to make my creed simple - All men are sinful & sinners. Xt died for all men - Repent & believe the Gospel ~~through~~ by grace, and through Grace do the best you can, & God will do the best for you. I believe this to be the sum & substance of Christian [illegible]

Feby 25 The severity of the weather

in this country is much greater than in Canada - but our quarters are more close but fires larger & in fact I have felt much less from the cold here than in the winter on the Pl-
Plain.

March 10 No prospect of any more moderate weather, as the season is very cold & stormy.

April 4 The weather is something more moderate the snow is melting fast & promises an early spring

April 10 The river is nearly open, and the season is very forward for this country -

Ap-21 The river has been clear several days & the lake ice is in motion & the bay will soon be clear

May 18 This evening the Gov of the A & H arrives with three canoes

I had the honour of an interview, and an assurance that nothing shall be wanting on the part of the Co to forward our objects, and that every assistance shall be rendered which the Co can afford. He proposes an arrangement with the Com. in London as to our supplies and assures me that the whole country is open to our Missionaries. To God be the Glory.

19 Preparing our old canoe as we can procure no other nearer than Fort Wm

20 Lun. Preached to the Whites in the forenoon at 11 & to the Indians at 4 all attentive as usual. - I commend these dear people to God & to his grace & trust ~~our~~ our feeble labours among them may be profitable.

Moon 21, I wrote several letters - about 11 o'clock left [illegible] where I [illegible] Kindnesses never [illegible] may God bless and [illegible] friends

fair wind - ran 33 miles before
sunset and made a safe landing
Tues near the Rocks
22 Rainy morning but we got off
about nine o clock and ran
a fair days run to the Meinegu
mezeebe where we caught thirty
or four fish.
Wed
23 Left at day light and break-
fasted on a small island, where
we found the other ind - who had
engged to accompany us. good
stiff breeze nearly all day we
made a few rods and made
Mboobingezeebe, where we encamp
Thurs. ed very comfortable.
24 Made the Rs establishment
about 8 o clock where we were
most hospitable received & enter
tained by Mr McMurray the Co
Factor. There are here 120 indians
and 180 at Long Lake many of
whom often visit this fort.
These ind. have never been visit
ed by any missionary & are
ignorant almost to tears to
learn that they may expe
ones: may God help them

& Br J. Spoor while in my
tent prayed with and com-
mended them to God — promising
them an interest in my prayers
by as possible.
Left the Fort a little after
noon & pulled through a dense
fog & against head wind about
four miles when we encamped on
the worst ground we have found
since we left home.
25th This morning after a raining &
windy night we have a thick fog
by morning, and having to leave
this to crop a bay of 15 miles
in breadth & open to the lake.
we must wait until it clears
about 10 the sun peeped out and
although we could not see the
opposite shore we could steer
by the sun. we had a fine
wind until about ½ way when
it became calm & in a little
while a tremendous swell came
on to roll in from the north
west. that predicted wind

which in about half an hour compelled us to hoist our sail & run before the gale down the bay, we got in behind a large Island, which we carted & made a fine old encampment, under the guidance of two Indians from Le Pic - the same two brothers & it is difficult to express the pleasure which they manifested on conversing on the Christian religion & on the establishment of a mission, at this port. One of them is the principal & most aged man of the tribe & appears a docible indian. we here unloaded & took out our canoe to dry gummed her bottom where we found some cracks, which we stopped & again pronounced her seaworthy.

Sat 26 Wind bound all day

27 Sun. Left our encampment this morning, with a fair wind - and

row along a narrow channel between the islands. croped a ten or twelve miles bay all open to sea The Lord preserved us, praised be his holy name!

When about six miles from our old encampment we perceived a smoke on a point behind us, and in a short time three large Montreal canoes hove in sight, as we carried sail & they carried none, it took them some time to overhaul us but having 15 paddles constantly plying cheered by the boat song, and animated by the idea that they can pass any thing like the wind too could see their paddles in rapid motion & even the gentlemen passengers were as we perceived & afterwards learned helping & in the chase, the wind falling about 3 o'clock, we ~~had~~ honourably laid on our oars & waited for them & had the pleasure of dining with

my old friends & winter associates
Once more - perhaps for the last time
~~About~~ About 3 or four oclock Br Jac
obs enquired, whether we should go
on tomorrow if we had a fair wind
I at once answered, No, we shall lay
by. We talked over the matter - but I
remained inflexible, determined to keep
the sabbath & trust the Lord for a good
wind afterward. After about half
an hour, returning by Br Jacobs & his
wife - he asked me what today was.
Saturday said I - No its Sunday he re
plied - & Sunday it was sure enough
This was surely a sin of ignorance
& error. I suppose from my only put
ting down the date & not the day of
the week in my journal.
Mon 28 Left our encampment at the
beginning of the islands - light winds
variable - all round the compass
about 11 fair wind 12 blowing hard
2 a gale but among the islands &
we ran at sixe or eight miles two

under a close reefed sail a [illegible]
asleep except myself and a Frenchman
in the barge. We had one heavy squall
under a full sail which well might
dismasted us - distressed [illegible] we
fortunately escaped so that we were as
comfortable as if in perfect calm
[illegible] in a little time we sight
[illegible] pounded.
[illegible] heard round [illegible]
with the Centipede [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] boys ran about 30
miles with the most wind [illegible]
[illegible] the Comfort
[illegible] 31 [illegible] Calm - heavy
[illegible] Thunder by St William [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Got ready for our
[illegible] 2 men as guides
the green birds son also agreed to
[illegible] us who with the boy whom
before agreed for the summer months
[illegible], half the complement of the
Company's canoes.

Sat 2 Left Fr. Ft. about 10 o'clock this morning and made a good long pull having no portages, but part of the day very strong rapids.

Sun. 3. To-day although sabbath we proceeded on our voyage, for the scarcity of provision, & the probability that should we lay still as much work would be done by the men as if we went on, seemed to render it lawful as well as expedient. We had this day one long rapid where we walked two or three miles, and a very long portage assisted by three indians where our goods & finally the canoe were carried over. The difficulty of these places is indeed beyond conception except by experience. a heavy canoe about 34 feet in length to be carried by two men bearing the bow & stern on their shoulders & climbing ship rocks & wading through deep muddy roads, it indeed enough to kill any men but voyageurs.

Mon 4 This has been a hard day

we have ~~walked~~ landed about 8 times
to walk 4 times half unloaded
our canoe and then drew her
& half the load up the falls while
two men remained in her to
steer her clear of the rocks.
And ~~three~~ four times we had to un-
load all & carry over canoe
& baggage. We eat well drink
well & sleep well thanks to
the Father of all our mercies
Charles has been sick yester
day & today and Br Jacob had
to carry him on his back, in
fact we each had our load
it would make our good friends
both shed a tear & smile to see
our cavalcade.
Myself in the van, with a ba-
by in an indian cradle swung
on my back supported by a
bandage across my forehead, next
comes Sister Jacobs with our oil
cloth which we carry to lay over
our pole when it rains too hard

to proceed - ~~Dorcey~~ whose attention is fully occupied in keeping ~~off~~ the mosquitoes black flies & mosquetoes off the baby's face, then follows little Peter who trudges along like a man through the mud, & Mr Jacobs with sick Charles on his back brings up the rear these tramps by land & a little paddling by water when in the canoes generally give us a fine appetite & an inclination for a ability to sleep when evening comes. Had we some of our sickly pussy pampered canadians who want appetites & want health & want sleep - they would here find a sure cure in that they would not want what the most need - exercise

Tuesday 5. This morning very cold the ground white with frost. breakfasted before we started. ~~wet with a~~ poled all day against strong rapids and carried all over twice, in the afternoon we found an indian camp, and engaged him to give us some gum for the canoe the bottom of which has suffer

much in coming up the rapid
About four oclock we reach
ed the Dog Portage, where the
loading & the canoe was to be
carried three miles, ~~the Indian~~ the men
carried over one load each
in the evening, and early in the
~~Wednesday~~ morning 6. the Indian arrived
with Pum bunyhis wife mother
in law & two little girls - they
all carried loads and ~~four~~ four
men took up the canoe, about
one mile of the Portage is a
rather steep ascent & the labor
& fatigue is very great
about one oclock we had the canoe
& all loads ported across - we
had the pain of oars ~~took~~ a bite
& cannot off - croped the
Dog lake which is large and
encamped in the mouth of the
Dog river - where we caught
two fine Pike. slept well and

felt thankful to the Great Spirit
for his mercies.
Thursday 7 started at sunrise - and pas
sed up a fine river without any
current to impede our progress, about
ten o'clock we found ourselves in a
large marshy country, where the
river runs in every possible direction
and abounds with Beaver & muskrats
the roads often being from six to
18 miles in depth where they pass on
the banks which divide the little
bays & ponds from the stream. - We made about
forty miles today - I shot a muskrat
& a duck which made us a very
excellent fresh supper. While this
was preparing I attend a little bay
and climbed a mountain where I had
a view of the whole flats with the di
tant hills - I could see no land high
er than where I stood & I began to feel
grateful to God that I had reached
the height of land between the Atlan
tic & the Northern water - may
God prosper our feeble labours

~~Ka~~ thousand thousand musquetoes
Friday & Started at Sun rise &
pulled about 8 miles to breakfast
saw several ducks - but got none
Cooked a fine pike and were
enjoying our breakfast, when a
sudden cry aroused us to attention
Mr Teoa gegeemaunenunin gegee
munenunin and in a moment
we fled from our oil cloth
table leaving all for life - im-
mediately opposite to us lay
our canoe which in a moment
we saw smashed to pieces by
a large spruce falling direct
ly across her about three or four
feet from the bow. the leaped
in & threw out our load, be
fore she filled and then drew
her shattered frame on shore
but this is not all nor the worst
for we are now 60 or 70 miles
beyond the birch bark country
and know not that we can pro

cure a morsel. Two of our men have gone to hunt bark and we of course anxiously await their return. I know of no direct blame to be attached to any one - providence has permitted it doubtless for some wise purpose. May he who has preserved our lives still preserve us. About Two o'clock, the two men arrived with bark and before night our damages were repaired, with the exception of gumming.

Saturday 9th. Finished and launched our canoe about nine o'clock and about noon just above the little falls we left the river and entered a small creek about 3 times the breadth of our canoe & so crooked that we could with difficulty follow its windings - running through a marshy country abounding with mosquitoes & flies.—

At 3 we carried over a small portage & crossed a small lake to the great portage where we camped for the night.

Sun. 10 We have made this a day of rest - and trust that the Lord will no

suffer us to want for the necessaries of life. Three of our men are catholics -- their French boys

This is the second day without rain since we left Mishkegwa Chong. - R. D.

Monday 11 This morning at gray day we carried our canoe across the portage, and the boy Antoine being lame I had to take his place and get two sore shoulders.

The road being merely a foot path and thick bushes on either hand.

Crossed a small lake - and again carried all over a mile portage

Paddled on about two miles by water

Crossed the Swamp Portage - and a swamp indeed it is.

We camped ~~beyond~~ on the other side the portage and a dismal walk we had across - it rained all the way in torrents so that with the swamp beneath the water hanging in the bushes & the rain descending we ~~had very~~ ~~were well nigh symptoms of~~ ~~being affected by~~ hydrophobia. We now ~~to~~ can get through well but of course as wet as muskrats.

Tuesday 12 This morning we fetched our canoe across the worst portage in the whole North country and as the road is too narrow we were compelled to carry single at the stern - Br Jacobs & myself, as one man was sick (or acting) the old soldiers were obliged to take our turns and we both I presume carried a heavier load than we ever carried in our lives and over a worse road than we ever travelled.
God be thanked we got over without any accident, and about ten o'clock we loaded & began to go down with a fine current in our favour - here our sick man who had been as mute as a mouse ~~for~~ all yesterday & this morning began to sing & manifest the most unquestionable signs of good health - the miasma of the swamp had effected a cure during the day and what is still more astonishing, he was yesterday & this morning excuding lame in one ancle - but he last walk across the Portage when we carried over the canoe, has also cured his lameness. We randown to the mouth of the river, paddled about five or six miles and encamp

on a narrow point where a few
breeze blew fast away all the flies
& gave us a more peaceful encamp
ment than any we have seen since
we left ~~the~~ ~~Lake~~ Lake Sup.
Wed 13 ~~Crossed~~ Lake about four miles across
fair wind stiff breeze - made a few
run until noon, when we reached the
portage where we supposed we could
reach by night of paddling, we have
however gained ~~but~~ nothing in distance
but we have gained so much in
being saved the labour of paddling
which is something to us whose shoul
ders & backs complain so bitterly of
this treatment. We had but two fair
days since we left Meskeleegwa
doong which is 23 days ago.
Our route today has been very
intricate, so much so that a
man must travel these lakes
several times before he can find
the way through. Slept at the Port
age beyond the two blind channels.
Thursday 14 Crossed the Portage and got
fair good time made the foot rapid
about noon and the french portage

about 2 oclock - Bc Jacobs & his family walked over but I accompanied the men & we ran the rapids. Found that the H Bler Brigade was here nine days a head of us - encamped on the end of the Trunk Portage

Friday 15 This morning we got off very late as it rained very heavily and we did not relish a wetting we passed along several small lakes and encamped again on a Portage.

Saturday 16th This morning we left our encampment at day break and made the first Portage to breakfast, passed along a long lake - about six oclock we made met by three canoes containing six indians we gave them a few plugs of tobacco, and purchased two large stungeon for which we gave them a gallon or two of Indian corn. We encamped at the mouth of the large river where the Indians get stung

We have for a day or two been on an allowance of bread and today we find that we must be still more economical as we have not more than two quarts & four days before even should we have fine weather. We gave the men to day half the pork as their last and left them to eat it at pleasure. We shot two duck & these with a piece of pickled sturgeon and each of us a small piece of cake made us a most excellent supper.

Sunday 17. Having no portage to day We concluded that we should go on, as we should probably have more work going on on shore than in the canoe. Came thru a Rainy night & came down strong rapids

Monday 18 Saw today a number of Indians who say all their people are anxious to be christians except two. There is evidence generally on these small lakes & rivers where they live principally on sturgeon We got 8 fine large ones & as many heads as we could take - gave them a little corn

& passed on. Had strong head wind
all day Rainy day
~~Monday 18~~ Rainy morning & head
wind we got off about 8 o'clock and
spite of wind & rain we made I
suppose about 40 miles having a cur
rent some miles in our favour. We en
camped a little way from the mouth
of the Marshy River and slept well
Tuesday 19 We came this morning about
ten miles to breakfast, and then went
on about three when we were wind
bound - Rainy day. Having a cracking
fire eating little & dreaming of feasting.
About six o'clock the wind fell
a little & we got about ten miles
where we encamped, no bread &
no fish but plenty of boiled corn.
Wednesday 20 Left our encampt about
day break & just at sun rise crossed
Sturgeon Lake - carried over two
portages ~~& cut~~ & just as leaving the last
we broke our canoe by a fall
from the mans shoulder on a sharp
stone - but the hole being above water
mark we went on & met an Ind

woman my aunt with a canoe load of fish. we got five & these made us a good breakfast. In about two hours we came over two camps of Indians and got thirty fresh white fish & ten dried ones. for which we gave them 10 plugs of tobacco & a few handfuls of salt. In about half an hour after we made Lake Rainy Lake. We however entered it in fair weather. O that the Lord may give us his blessing in this vast country. here are abundance of Indians all anxious for the Gospel. & I am fully satisfied had we six good men they would just now find the whole country open & have good success with God's blessing. My We encamped about half way between the entrance of the lake & the Hot. Head wind fair weather

Thursday 21 About noon we arrived with a fair wind, and found what we sought a fine body of Indians - these are indeed a naked & painted but fine looking fellows - whose plump & greasy

skins shew that they have skill to hunt & game on which to exercise it! Mr The gentleman in charge at present met us & shewed us a house which we were informed we could occupy. I made arrangements for our men being supplied with rations & after settling our affairs a little began to enquire about our own future prospects - No meat - we got a supply of flour some rice & 20 lbs of plmegaegan some sugar & some tallow. No tea our fish we take daily from the river before the fort gate. & I hope we shall not want what we need.

About four oclock we went to the chiefs tent & he called together his principle men & we had a council explaind our object & made some remarks on the truths of Xianity. He said he could not be the first to be a christian but should his young men agree to take hold he should go too

He wished the opinion of the Gov.
& whatever he advises he will do.
here we think we have a fair
prospect. gave them a smoke
Friday 22 The Chief having agreed
to call another council this morn
ing, we gave them our views
respecting their medicines, that all
their good medicines they might
still use but the bad must be
thrown away. That we came
not to prevent their hunting but
to encourage them to hunt &
make their lives happy & to
get their souls blessed by the
Gt Spt. The old man gave us the
same answer as yesterday, but
expressed a willingness to hear
us talk & was glad when we
proposed to come again, which
we did in the afternoon. He has
remained over today out of respect
to us & to hear our talk.
This evening ten or twelve canoes
arrived from below - and we

have before us plenty of work
O had we Dundey & Jones & Fairchy & Raubeyr or some other good
men what a field of labour, we
are now in the Indian country
here is missionary work enough
& we must be busy or we are
shut out by the Catholics.
Every kindness is shewn us by the
Company here as at L. Winnebago
Shebequadoong. Br Jacobs & his wife
will here suffer many privations
& I trust will be rewarded by the
blessing of God on their labours &
in his Kingdom above for X's sake.
The Indians here are great gamblers
at the dish & at the balls. Stout athletic
fellow one not 20 more than 5 feet.
Saturday 23 Many of the Indians have
visited us today, and all appear
very well disposed - I have discovered
that the traders here has refused to let
some of them have liquor on ac
count of our being here, and at such
an act might greatly injure our

influence, I have requested that he would make no difference in this manner of trade on our account. One old man today told us that if he were the principle man of his tribe he would at once give us his ears - he belongs to a body of Indians about 100 in number who reside about 60 miles below this place.
The head chiefs son today offered to give us his eldest boy if we had a school here.
Sunday 24. This morning the people in the fort requested Divine service, and a few minutes after, we received a message from the Indians that they had determined to stop today & hear about religion, We went immediately to the encampment, and the chief arranged his camp and we sung prayer & preached therein from 3 John 16 verse. During the prayer several times the

chief followed by his old men responded to the petition by a hearty Indian Aa, and during the sermon manifested their ~~[illegible]~~ satisfation by the same ~~[illegible]~~ ejaculation.

The chief remarked this afternoon that they got very little liquor from the traders lately, ~~and~~ but it was no great consequence as he supposed they would soon give it up.

At 4 o'clock preached in the Fort from Rom 4-25.

Monday 25 This morning the old chief visited us, & gave us to understand that he had as he said very little to hold him back - but he should like the opinion of the Governor. He expressed a strong desire that he might live to see my return in the ensuing summer and shook us most heartily by the hand in a manner that was sufficient to prove that he who holdeth the hearts of all men was exerting the[illegible]

fluence which tends to the sal
vation of this people.
Noon The greater part of the
Indians have embarked, but
we have still some left among
whom to labour.
We this morning laid down
the frame of our new ca
noe which is to be made
by our own men
Tuesday 26 This day our canoe
has prospered well & we have
had some conversation with sev
eral of the Indians - we find no
great opposition to Christianity
Wed 27 A days drying & we finish
the Canoe
Thursday. 28 As the Gov will
travel much faster than I can
I shall leave for Fort Wm as
soon as the canoe is pitched
Friday 29 Pitched our canoe
this morning & about eleven
o'clock bade adieu to the por
tage commended the mission
to God & took my leave
blessed be God I feel great

confidence that he will graciously carry on the blessed work of converting the heathen in this region. Br Jacobs & family must necessarily endure many privations - but the grace of God I trust will mercifully support them

Yours truly

At the Sault below there are about 150 Indians. extensive flats of fine land without a stick of timber on them.

At the Little Forks 9 miles below the Fort about 100 Indians generally spend the summer.

On Lake of the Woods at the mouth of R. L. River called Sangeny there are from 150 to 200 Indians.

And along the Lake above several bodies of Indians. At Fort Alexander there are about 150 Indians. O for Labourers & means & God's blessing above all. Hope of the Lord will and manifest

Saturday 30th This morning left our encampment before day - and breakfasted near the Indian white fishery - Saw a large band from the Fort they appeared very glad that I purposed to return in the spring had no fish - but gave us duck as they had a little dried Rein deers meat. About ten o'clock entered Sturgeon River leaving the route by which we came to the right. Saw numbers of Indians but only got ½ a sturgeon from dried one. Slept on a rocky point - a rather hard time during the night but no man could sleep for the millions of gnats which neither fire nor smoke could banish. Sun July 1 Determined to remain over Sabbath - my men determined to go on - being afraid of being benighted. Had breakfast

ed at the outlet of the Lake through Sturgeon river — on a little boiled rice & a drink of cold water — blown where we dined on Lunch 17 June. — This has been the hottest forenoon I have seen this summer — or indeed any time & not a breath of air. — I strained my back, but hope soon to recover God willing — O if I had my dear family here no more would I see Lac. for one seven years, but I shall soon be back please the Lord

Mon. 2d Fair wind — stiff breeze all day a hurricane passed about ¼ mile astern of us carrying the water along like a heavy fog & bringing down the large trees where it struck the shore we ran under a small island but not before the skirts of the squall almost blew us out of the water. Made the French Portage this evening where we slept on 14th June Having made in 3 days & ½ what took us just 7 in going

I have given my meal, my flour & pimekaëgun, as the poor fellow have to work hard & nothing but boiled rice & dry sturgeon.

Tues 3 This morning we carried canoe & all our load at once across the French Portage a long miserably bad road - but in order to accomplish this I had to carry my trunk, bed, large tin pantin, small box - gun & a paddle - my back lame & belly almost empty - blessed be God I am well except my lameness - & my soul is blessed in believing that ~~[illegible]~~ God deigns to make me useful in saving the poor lost sinners - O Lord let me labour for Thee who died for me, and all men Halleluyah.

Bon wind - stiff breeze
Encamped on a small island in Long lake

Wed - 4 Made big headway

Otchipwe Ininee = Wawinai
gan, Gwaiakossing anamiewin
Ejitwadjig, mi sa Catholique a
namiadjig Gewabandangig
Paris, (France, Europe)

Log of the voyage to the peak.
Thurs 12th Slept last night at an
Indian encampment. Had prayers
The Indians requesting leave of
permission to fetch their families
& children — God blessed us
Slept where the Mackinaw people
on the 27 May Met a boat from the
Friday 13 this morning embarked at day
light and about 3 o'clock made the Pic
where I was hospitably entertained at
the Post of the H. B. Co. since I last
visited this place, the Indians have been
visited by the Rom. Priest who
used every persuasion to induce
them to be baptized, but all upon
altering that they had promised to
do so, that they would wait

a minister, whom they expected
soon to arrive, one poor fellow
had a sick infant, & requested
the Priest to be good enough to
baptize the child, as he feared it
would not live - but although
this same priest has been during
the last summer & this season
baptizing all the children he could
find, he positively refused - and yet
the man would also receive baptism
at his hands - doubtless thinking
that parental solicitude for
the infant would induce him
to falsify his word pledged to
me in May - ~~but he~~ after
pleading some time in vain
the reasonableness of his refu
sal under these circumstan
ces - the Priest told him he
would not baptize it. God
spared the child's life & I had
the pleasure of baptizing it
well about 15 others before
leaving there anxious that
these people - never died &
the poor people so

thankful for attention to the word of life. I had Divine service on Sunday evening when I administered baptism to the children under 12 years of age. ~~On Satd~~
Sat 14 Head gale & heavy rain Providentially keeps me here. Had Divine service - read to the Indians the Mosaic account of the creation & the fall of man, & made such remarks as my unfeebled mouth would allow -
God was with us I felt much helped in pointing them to Jesus as a sovereign balsm for the wounds of the old serpent the devil
~~Sun~~ Sun. 15 Had service them morning & evening read the 3 chap of St Johns Gospel & made a few remarks on the 16 verse. blessed be God I felt & I believe all felt that ~~the~~ the love of God was unspeakable. Evening read the 9 & 17 verses of the 15 of John. and the ten Commandments. & made some observations on the latter.

Mon. 16th Embarked about nine o'clock after assembling the indians & praying with them & assuring them that they should not be molested & baptized two children who were absent on Friday.

Tuesday 17th slept last night Monday where we found Le Gardi's son on our way up. Caught a trout weighing about thirty pounds.

~~Wed~~ 18 Fair wind a few hours breakfasted half way between Pic & Mes.ing and ~~left~~ after passing the nine mile cliffs encamped for the night.

Wed 18 - Started at day light and about nine had a fair wind light but in about an hour it blew a gale & we made [illegible] about 11 leaving us since day light 39 miles - and stopped about [illegible] to breakfast.

Thursday 19 - Had divine service with the Indians last night. - Today settled up my acc- with the company - Had service with the whites and afterward with the Indians. Found my old friend Mr Cameron gone - but another friend in his place in Geo. Keith Esqr who rendered me every kind nesp. May God reward them both.

Friday 20 Started at day light with a fair breeze - which however soon died away - landed for breakfast in heavy rain - soaked to the skin. and the wind having fallen & the rain pouring in torrents - we delayed ~~on~~ starting again, ~~until~~ and here I am half ~~dried & half~~ smoke dried & half drowned, scribbling for the satisfaction of my friends. - I have just eaten two small cakes a slice of pork & drank a tin of coffee - and am as happy as a prince - & not willing to exchange my lot with any man under the sun - blessed be God that I am what I am & that I am where I am. May I never get out of

the path of duty - for I find it
to be in all circumstances & ~~under~~ in all weathers in a
word always & every where a
path of peace & heartfelt
comfort. Got off about four
o'clock, and pulled on in the
evening until we reached
Nanaboujo where we slept
a rather hard down, for
no man living could sleep
covered with heats, like swarms
of fire. Wet blankets towards morning
at 21 Started two hours before
day and about ten had a
fair breeze - noon calm, about
ten miles out at sea, head wind
dined on a large island, and
~~encamp~~ made the mouth of the River
about 4. ~~seen~~ two Canoes
with whom we stopped about
half hour & then pulled on ~~as far~~
~~as the Menage - where we en~~
~~camped for the night~~ until
twilight when we landed

cooked supper. But the gnats were
so thick & the wind being fair
a light breeze &

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Nemlemvoza I walk
Nezungodaâa I am a coward
Nembooduoa I make a fire

Nowbamow I see him
Nenogenoüin I cure him
Nezigeüin I love him
Nengezemugamow I pity him
Nendumoom I tell him
Nenondwoüin I hear him
Nendbuyenodwoüin I tell him
Nenumundwoüin I doctor him
Nemenobemundezeüin I make him heal
Nenepowquwoüin I make him wise
Nendiswmow I feed him
Nenistogumonow I feed him

and slept on an island in
the Cypress river, among ten
thousand Horse and Gnats
We crossed this morning the
three last portages & have
been running at from 6 to ten
miles an hour and rapid
after rapid we have al
ready broken three oars &
two nearly more I know
not. About four o'clock
we landed at Fort Wo
safe & well thanks
God!
day 8 Had prayer with
our crew.
Preparing our canoe &
my clothes
Left about nine
and on rabit island
started at day light —
found we about

today having head wind - made
the swampy portage where we
encamped. -
Thurs 5 Before breakfast carried
across the swamp - another small
portage & the long 4 mile portage
when we put our canoe
into the Canada waters, clear
& cold. Ran rapids 11 Bad trees 11.
The 6th morning left the encampment
where we slept on the 17th June about
seven o'clock passed where we slept on
the 10 & 9 Sat & Sunday nights about eleven
passed that of the 8th and about 3 that
of the 7th and about ½ past six that
of the 5th at the mouth of Dog River and
encamped on a point in Dog Lake
today we shot a duck & a partridge
but I gave them to the men for the
poor fellows were hungry.
Friday 6 Started before day - but were
stopped by a soaking rain in about an hour
where we laid by until about three
o'clock but we carried the long
portage and six other portages