

I came to this place through much trouble ; and though, through the mercies of God, I believed, that if I died in the journey, it would be well with me ; yet the thoughts of falling into the hands of Indian warriors, were, in times of weakness, afflicting to me ; and being of a tender constitution of body, the thoughts of captivity amongst them were, at times, grievous ; as supposing, that they being strong and hardy, might demand service of me beyond what I could well bear ; but the Lord alone was my keeper ; and I believed, if I went into captivity, it would be for some good end ; and thus, from time to time, my mind was centered in resignation, in which I always found quietness. And now, this day, though I had the same dangerous wilderness between me and home, I was inwardly joyful that the Lord had strengthened me to come on this visit, and manifested a fatherly care over me in my poor lowly condition, when in mine own eyes I appeared inferior to many amongst the Indians.

When the last mentioned meeting was ended, it being night Papunchang went to bed ; and one of the interpreters sitting by me, I observed Papunchang spoke with an harmonious voice, I suppose, a minute or two : and asking the interpreter, was told, that “ he was expressing his thankfulness to God for the favours he had received that day ; and prayed that he would continue to favour him with that same, which he had experienced