

Some murmuring took place among them, being heartily sick of the camp, and desirous of returning to their homes. Many, indeed, threatened to leave us at all hazards, which caused the Governor much anxiety and trouble. He appeared not disposed to detain any man against his inclination ; being endowed by nature with a heart as humane as brave ; in his frequent addresses to the militia, his eloquence was formed to persuade ; appeals were made to reason as well as feeling—and never were they made in vain—when the militia, unused to military restriction, threatened a desertion, his eloquence calmed their passions, and hushed their discontented murmurings—and in a short time all became tranquil, and unanimity reigned throughout the army.

About this time many Indians came peaceably into camp, and held frequent Council, with the Governor ; but all endeavors to effect an accommodation with the Prophet were vain—they still continued stubborn and refractory,—and would not listen to any terms of peace made them by the Governor. Their lurking Indians were nightly prowling about our encampment, and alarming the sentinels on their posts.—On