The original manuscript of the journal of James Kenny, "kept by him on his journey to Pittsburgh, and notes or remarks of what he judged worth taking notice of while he remained there," is preserved in the Manuscript Division of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. He had charge of the trading store established by the Commissioners of Indian Affairs, of the Province, and his records of local, military and Indian affairs are valuable and of interest for their details. He describes the great freshet, which did so much damage to the new town; William Ramsay's experiments with a double section batteau, propelled by paddles worked by the feet; he accompanied John Bartram on his botanical excursions; his friendship with Christian Frederick Post, the Moravian missionary to the Indians, and the movements of the Indian kings of Pennsylvania and Ohio tribes of Indians, will be found of especial interest.

James Kenny was a member of the Chester County family of the name residing at Kennett Square, and
being a Quaker, will explain many of his "remarks." The editor has made but few expurgations and has closely adhered to the original orthography. As a contribution to the early history of Pittsburgh, it will be read with considerable interest.

Journal Begun y° 4th, 13th, 1761.

13th.—Went from Pottsgrove in Company with Ellis Hughes to North Wales Youth's Meeting, & after Meeting went to Philad., having receiv'd a Letter (before) from Joseph Morris, on behalf of y° Commiss' for Indian affairs to assist at their Store at Pittsburgh, I agreed to goe.

14th.—Return'd to Pottsgrove to Settle my Accompts & get ready.

15th & 16th.—Got ready after finishing my Bussiness there.

17th.—Went as far as Wm. Beals in y° Valley on my way to Kennet to see my Mother & Bretheren, & Beal agree'd to go to Tuscorora with me, to have our Land Survey'd there; stay'd at his House that Night.

18th.—Went to Kennet to my Mothers, & stay'd there next Day, being y° first Day of y° Week.

20th.—Set off in company with my Brother Charles, y° neighest Road to Lancaster, overtook Wm. Beale & Lodged that Night at Webs, at Canostoga Creek.

21st.—Got to Teafs Ferry or within a little of it, Lodg'd at y° Widow Wilkisons, an old acquaintance of Beals.

22nd.—Came to Carlsile, & stay'd that Night, it being Court time & Jno. Armstrong gone abroad, we could not get his deputy Surveyor to come with us to Tuscorora to Survey, not certain under two Weeks, & considering y° Hazard of being Incroach'd upon by others in our Land we were Necessitated to Wait.

23rd.—It being Costly living at Carlsile, we went to my Namesake Jam' Kenny's between Cannadagunit
Creek & y* Mountain; Swam our horses & went ourselves in a Canoe over y* Creek.

4mo 24th.—We all stay’d this Day at Jam* Kennys, being used very kindly.

25th.—My Brother Charles & Wm. Beal & Johnathan Taylor set off to Tuscorora, but I stay’d at Kennys.

26th.—My Horse being in a field (with one of my brothers Horses) he jump’d out to some of y* Neighbours Creatures that came through y* Lane in y* Night & hunt’d by y* Dogs they went to some Neighbouring Houses but were likewise hunt’d away y* People describing mine exactly, but could not find him with y* said Horses; Mathew Kenny & I Rode about all y* Day Hunting him in Vain.

27th.—I set off & went back as far as Harris & Teafs Ferries but could not hear any acco’ of him. Lodged at Tobias Hendricks that night.

28th.—Cross’d Cannadoguinit low down & inquired all up y* Creek to no purpose.

29th.—Search’d y* Neighbourhood again, but could hear no account of him.

30th.—I went to Carslile & Wrote Advertisements & put up, biding Twenty Shillings for taking him up, & Mathew Kenny Went down along y* Mountain but no account of y* Horse. Having got Francis West to engage to pay y* Money if brought to him; I had Advertis’d it accordingly & so gave out searching.

5mo 1st.—Set off for Tuscorora by myself, & Rid one of my Brother Charles’ Horses, went along Sheerman’s Creek Vally & lodg’d that night at Jn’s. Black’s at Buffaloe Creek by y* Tuscorora Mountain; was used very Civily.

2d.—Set up y* Mountain & met my Brother & Jonathan Taylor; my Brother turn’d back with me but Taylor set off home.

5mo 3d.—Got pretty soon in y* Day yesterday to my friend Wm. Bale at y* House that belong’d to Wm.
Steward, he being kill'd by y* Indians; being y* first Day of y* Week we lay by & rest'd as well as we could.

4th.—We Rid about to see Wm. Bales place & through some of y* settlem'.

5th.—Went to see my Place & my brothers; gather'd mountain Tea which we us'd commonly & likes it as well as bohea. Y* Surveyors came into y* Settlemt. this Night.

6th.—Wm. Lion y* deputy Surveyor came to us to day & we set off to one Rennison's Place that joyn'd my Brothers & Run it out as also part of my Brother's, & mine, they lying in One Tract—y* Surveyor made me run out our Tract & he rid along.

7th.—We went to Wm Beals & run it out & my uper Place; lost my seals & Key of my Watch, as I carried y* Chain seen many Deer. Taking y* neigthest way toward home and y* night were hard set to get over y* Creek as we miss'd y* fordings.

8th.—This day y* Commissioner begins my year. This morning we went to run out my third year Place which join'd y* Tract that Armstrong wrong'd my brother John, & me out of, & after some contension, we run it as I lost none of y* Meadow Land, y* Surveyor offer'd me fifty Pounds for it but I would not take it.

9th.—Y* Surveyor came to us on his way over Juniata & desirous to be paid, when I had ask'd him, I Paid him for Surveying for me Six Pounds & a Dollor & let him have Eight Pounds Twelve Shillings & Six Pence to purchase a Warrant for my Brother's Place, as it would be too much to return on my Warrant; we gather'd some mountain Tea & having sent Charles over y* mountain for Provissions we stay'd till be came it being Night.

5th 10th.—Wm Beal set off home (though it rain'd some in y* Morning) & my Brother having concluded to go with me to Pittsburgh & being so far on our way y* neighest Road, we conclu'd to keep up y* Tuscorora
Vally & Cross y* Mountain into y* Path Valley, which we did & many Miles had no path but got to one Parkers in y* Path Valley that Night.

11th.—Set off soon this Morning along y* Path Valley, pass’d many settlemts Jacob Peats Mill & Crossed y* Mountain to Fort Littleton, seen a quantity of Iron Mine where we assended y* Mountain; fed at Robert Elliot’s,—being got into y* Wagon Road pass’d y* fort & Lodg’d at Jn° Elliott’s sons at Aughwick Creek, ab’ 25 miles.

12th.—Had to hunt our Horses a While in y* Morning, then set off got to y* Crossing of Juniata, Paid for our ferriage over, being about Noon got some refreshm’, & went near to Bedford, Lodged at one Thomas Urys—being a Covenanter as I suppose & thinking others much out of y* way, he signified y* Quakers had no religion, & upon asking him what he judg’d to be religion, he seem’d but weak & plac’d it much in Works of formality although he held Predestination in y* most Vulgar sense, I told him if things were predestinated as he held, all our works avail’d nothing & as to y* works of performing Voluntary Prayers & Singing, that it was not prudent to joine in such things but with such that we might be well assur’d their offerings was not abomination; but he would have it well done, altho by Hypocrites, I would allow him to go to heaven his way, but he would not allow I could my way.

5mo 13th.—Got to Bedford, wait’d on Cap’ Oary for a Pass & untill he Wrote some Letters he sent by me to Pittsburgh, so procee’d to y* foot of the Alligania Mountain, made a fire and lay there that night.

14th.—Cross’d y* Mountain to Stoney Creek, being mostly very bad road but some hills, y* finest Chestnut Woods I ever saw, so got to Leigonere, stay’d at Charles Brookens this night.

15th.—Set off soon, it being mostly good Land to Pittsburgh from here but Hilly, we got to Turtle Creek
within about Nine miles of Pittsburgh, where we overtook Wm Knoxes Wife & y Rest, with their Milch Cows, but could hardly get any rest for Muskeetose.

16th.—Came to Pittsburgh Pritty soon, & was soon ask’d where I delay’d so long. I went to Collonel Bouquet with my Pass & Cap’ Ories Letters, he made me sit Down & said he was glad to see me.

17—21st.—These Days there was nothing remarkable happen’d. Trade very dull & our Store has lost a great part of what it had.

22d.—Mostly very Cool Weather & much Rain likewise.

23d.—Doctor Millen request’d me to goe out with him to y* Woods to shew him Some Plants What he knew not, so we went & gather’d some Sassaperalla Apico-coanna & Indian Ginger or Asserabana.

27th.—I & my brother & two other Men went to see y* Coal Pit on land in y* Mountain Side over y* Monongahela; y* Mountain is so high & steep that its with Care & difficulty people gets up to it, but its easy got, as y* bank of it being dug away a Piece, its level ground from y* Cole & y* Coal is in a Bank fronting like a upright Wall in y* Hill side the put it into bags & tumbles them down y* hill.

6th.—We went over y* Mountain, I being desirous to see y* Land on y* other side & its rich on y* Mountain & down y* other side, we came to a Smart Run but bound’d with Hills & draughts Close to y* Run, its on this Run y* Saw Mill is built, we went down to it & it seems to look well, y* Men that lived at it inform’d us that at about three miles distance there begun a Body of fine Rich Land & pritty Level, that there was two Warriors’ Paths took off there abouts—One toward Green Briar & y* other to Carolina or Cherokees, Shirtees Island or Point lies in sight of y* Run Mouth, & Straberies I have gather’d on a Hill in Sight of y* fort & some mountain Tea, but y* land is mostly to rich
for y* Tea—some Huckle Berris on one Hill up y* Monongahela. I Caught some fish with a Rod & Line, one Cat fish that Weigh’d Nine Pounds. I have seen One that Weigh’d fourty One Pounds & they tell me for Certain of some being Caught last Year that Weigh’d One Hundred Weight; they catch likewise a sort of young Alligaters about a foot or fourteen Inches long, but I have been informed some battoe men has seen one y* matter of five or Six foot Long.

12th.—Some of y* Indians I was acquaint’d with before being come, was Glad to see me, one of which Call’d Jammy Willson had some Bundles of Skins & some fur, he dealt here; this man has Curled black hair & never went to War by report, but having obtain’d a White Woman & Boy, he kept y* Woman as his Wife, using her kindly; on finding she inclin’d to return to her own People he brought her & y* boy with y* Amount of his Estate to our Store & told y* Woman notwithstanding He Loved her, as she want’d to leave him, would let her go, so he divided his substance equally with her, giving half y* remaind’ to y* Boy & set them both free & went with y* Woman home giving her a Horse to Ride; an Instance of more self denial than many men of great Christian professions shews their poor Negros.

23rd.—This Morning about One o’Clock John Langdale (y* Agent that was here this last year) is set off to Philadelphia & Cap’ Clapham came to me to Day about y* s* Agent. Here has been Eight or Nine Men that were Prisoners amongst different Nations of Indians, (& set free by them at Detroit) came here some time ago, one of which that lived amongst y* Picks, inform’d me that that nation seem’d well affect’d toward y* English, but that there were very current reports amongst them of y* Massissippy Indians being set on by y* French to come to take some English place this way.
Frederick Post came here & stay'd with us about two Days and then set off to Beaver Creek in order to Preach to y* Indians and inform them of y* Principels of Christianity as y* Moravians do hold y* Same I hear since; he was made Welcom by y* Indians and is gon to y* Beaver's Town Tuscorawas. Being hunting in y* Woods for a Horse y* Agent lost here, Glad of y* oppertunity to Ride out. I been a considerable way all about between these two Rivers & y* fork of Land is much Narrower then they are draught'd; seen many Human Sculls & bones that lies about y* whole belonging to a Body in Places except some of y* smallest—I have took some time to fitt them together.

Being got much in favour with y* Doctor, as he recons me a Great botanest I goe with him sometimes to Vissit y* Sick & see him Dress sores.

2mo 1st.—Here came sundry Expresses from Detroit with accounts that y* Indians were about attacking that Place Presque isle & this, last Night or this night all by storming y* places. This News came here some days agoe & caus'd such Hurries here that y* Soldiers were set to work to make up a part of y* fort bank that was but very low, strict orders against Selling any Powder or Lead to Indians were Issu'd.

4th.—All y* Powder in y* Stores taken into y* fort & put into y* Magazine; Orders Issued by Collon' Bouquet Proclaim'd & Posted in Writing for all y* Inhabitants here, Merchants, Traders, Sutlers Artificers &c., that were Able to bear Arms should meet at appoint'd Places, give in their Names to be form'd in Companys under officers in order to keep out gaurds & help to defend y* Place, & they that did not do so must desert y* Place in two Days time;—which some expect'd would be my lot or else to bear Arms, on which occasion I wrote y* following lines & sent out Sam' Dean to y* Collon'.

May it please Collonel Bouquet, as thy orders is
general for all y® Inhabitants here to bear Arms, which I cannot do without the abuse of my Conscience & Principles, y® consequence of which is to leave this place in two Days time, bepleas’d to let me know, whether thou wilt take y® Province Goods under thy care and allow me time to get a Horse, if thou wilt not exempt me from bearing Arms.

from thy Wellwisher,

J. Kenny.

When y® Collon¹ reiceiv’d these Lines, being at Dinner, & carrid in by y® Lad that wait’d on y® Table, he got up & came out & Told Sam¹ Dean I should not trouble myself at all for he did not mean me & as he had no pen & Ink there he desired I should come to him y® next Day, which I did, he bid me sit down & spok very civile, telling me he left me to my own freedom, I acknowledg’d his kindness & came away. Sam¹ Dean knowing this Indulgence to me delay’d going to his muster with y® rest untill they sent a Corporal for him, which affronted Cap¹ Crafford, which they had chose over them in this end of y® town, being an old trader, that he swore much he would have his master out on y® Parade y® next evening but Dean affirm’d he would not & agravat’d Craford so that he was going to send him to y® Guard House, (y® other requesting he should) but did not. I understood y® next day that y® Collo¹ had let Craford know that I was exemp’d from any Millitary service, which made y® new Cap¹ I believe not appear that evening himself at their muster tho his Lieut¹ sent a Corporal for me, but I told him I had no bussiness with them & he went with out me. This might be much occasion’d by y® conduct of y® Agent that was here last going by y® name of a Quaker & not disown’d amongst Friends, & was not only Principled to fight but had fought here in my sight, I heard him use bad words, which I think brought a great reproach on y® name he went by here.
7mo 5th.—Y* Doctor inform'd me that y* Officers liked me much y* better for standing true to my Principels, —Notwithstanding I have been so foolish in Days past, as to give cause of reproaching y* name I went by, yet my understanding was mightily darken'd in some re-spects & its been ever cause of Sorrow & repentance to me when I think of my folly.

Here was y* Beaver King & Killbuck with me at Breakfast & I cannot find out by them when they think to goe to the Treaty to Philadel* although White Eyes & Wingenum after their return from there seem'd mightily Pleas’d, Signifying that they would go there to hold a Treaty in about one moon & a half, & White Eyes signified to Collo' Bouquet that he was willing to be made a Prisoner in y* fort, & after default of bring-ing in y* Prissoners & y* Stolen Horses, even from y* Shawanes, that y* Collon' might do what he pleas’d with him.

6th.—I am jealous that Killbuck used endeavours with y* Beaver to frustrate or prolong their going to this Treaty, as he told me that there had been a Sum of money offer’d for killing him in y* War time & sent round y* frontiers in private Letters by subscription (which I had never heard), and that y* Indians told him frequently that as sure as he went toward y* Inhabi-tants he would be Kill’d; he is very subtile & Politick. I endeavour’d to remove all these Scruples leting him know that y* Men amongst us in authority would be for hanging any White man now that would Murder an Indian that was at peace with us; he confess’d that was y* old Law, & he is Imploy’d now at a Doller Day to go with Cap' Callender to Sandusky with amunission for Detroit, which pleas’d him much.

Some time agoe there was a Mingo Indian kill’d by Lieut’ Piper of y* Provincials for Stealing their Horses; as he came here he brought y* Sculp to this Place but y* Scalping was not aproved of here.
7th. —I have seen Letters come to this Place, giving Account that General Amherst is to be at Nighgara very soon on his way coming here & they think he will proceed from here down y* Ohio, to y* Mississippi.

8th. —An express from Detroit but no bad News, had some Trade.

9th. —Last Night, after many of y* People were gone to Bed there was Eight or Nine Guns went off at y^uper end of y* Town by the Monongahela, which caus'd such an alarm that all y* People Hurried for their Lives; y* Soldiers & Militia got under Arms expecting y* Enemy was really come to attack y* Place; y* Women & some Men Carrying bundles of their goods into y* fort. We got up being in bed & My Brother & two other men that was in y* house was for going into y* fort. I walk'd toward y* Monongahela & back to y* House, hearing no more Shooting, I told my brother as I had at first, I did not believe there was any Enemy, so we sat down by y* Door & seen y* Hurry, untill in about half an hour we heard it was men deserting & they fired on them kill'd one & Wound'd another; y* one that was kill'd is said to be one that rob'd a Store here lately & came back, kept hiden & was now going with more of y* Provincials; I hear since he was not kill'd.

10th. —It's said that y* Mingo were Invite'd here to a Treaty by some strings y* Collo' delived some of them here in order to Apease y* Relations of him that Lieu'T Piper kill'd for stealing Horses, & a Prisoner told me that an Old Delaware Squa told y* Indians over y* River, that there was a Great Number of Mingo Indians lying up y* River & Charg'd them not to tell y* white People of it.

7mo 11th. —I think Drunkenness & feighting is much abated in this end of y* Town to what it was & some of y* Ordinary Houses is moved from here, Nine Train
draught’d away & Hudly gone Six Shill’n in Langdales Debt. A great fresh in y° River.

12th.—Being y° first Day of y° Week, I find but few to converse with that is agreeable, Only my Brother & Benjamen Elliot, both of them keepink very reserv’d; got something indispos’d this Day.

13th.—Dream’d last Night I seen a Harbour having several Vessels lying in it of small seize, & seen more of a small like Squair Boats w’ Squair Sails come in amongst y° rest with good order.

14th.—Cap’ Gorden, y° Enginere, came here this Day. An Indian call’d John Armstrong who talks some English being about here I had a deal of discourse with him; he seems to harbour jalousies of y° English, having revenge or some advantage in view against y° Indians, on Acount they keep making fortifications, now after they have beat y° French, & he knew not y° reason why y° White People wanted back y° Prisoners, seeing they were satisfied to live with y° Indians. So y° first I let him know that in Case y° English did not keep Garisons out here they expect’d y° French would come again & set y° Indians on to kill y° White People & that y° Traders would not venture out with Goods to suply y° Indians otherwise, & as for y° Prisoners, that their fathers & Mothers & friends longed to see them & was not satisfied without seeing them; he also quiered why Frederick Post went out now to Preach amongst y° Indians, seeing y° White People had not used such endeavours amongst them before; I let him know that such endeavours had been us’d before in some places, & now that it had been requested by y° Indians at a Treaty at Easton, that I did not know that y° White people had sent Post now on that ocation, but that he was a Good Man & lov’d y° Indians & that good men often tell y° White People that if they will not refrain from their evil ways that y° Good Spirit will leave them, & seek some other people & as y° Good Spirit
made ye Indians as well as us, that he was willing to do them good & might send Good men amongst them on that account let him know that ye bad Spirit was ye author of Wars because it made people hate one another, as also of all other vices. He acknowledg'd he knew ye Principels of Friends were such & that they were ye best People.

15th.—A Cousen of Delaware Georges, a Young Man born at Oley, had some Trade here, seemed very good Nature'd & having no English Name I gave him my Name which he said he would keep, went out a Hunting. I took a Vomit being unwell in my stomack & seems much better.

16th.—Spent most of this Day in Posting what dealings I had since Jn° Langdale went away. I hear ye General is gone to Detroit.

17th.—Jn° Armstrong, mentioned ye 14th Inst, being going to ye Woods to Hunt over Aligany with his Squa, request'd some Lines under my Hand as a recommendation least meeting White men that might have had Horses Stolen from them, they might suspect him & so be in danger of being Shot, which I did.

The Trade runs so now at this Place that all Secams Subtilty can Invent is used to draw it & ye Master piece of gaining it now seems to be in Trusting ye Indians with Goods so this brings their Custom to such Stores & pleases them much that they are so much in Credit, of which ye Store that is kept by Trent & Levy here (Franks being Concerned & its thought Croughan) ventures much on trust, being some of Croughan's Politicks & he & all his Instruments endeavours to draw all ye Custom to that Store; this is a Point they have ye advantage of the Province Store in at cent.

18th.—Came an Indian call'd John & another Young fellow who had a Pair of little Buffellow Horns fix'd to his Cap. John was recommend'd to me by Philip Powel,
one of my former Acquaintance, receiv’d about fourty Pounds worth of them in Peltry.

19th.—Ye Millitia Mustering is drop’d now, only on y* first Days of the week.

20th.—Notwithstanding y* strict orders against sell- ing or giving y* Indians Strong liquors, they frequently get too much of it amongst y* Traders & sutlers, some treating them with Punch to draw their custom & I was told by Indian Jn° above mentioned, that Levy y* Jew had sold y* Beaver’s son two Ceggs of Rum today at 20/ Gallon & told John to acquaint y* Indians at Moose- kinggum that he would sell them Rum if they came to him & this Jew endeavours to set y* Indians against me as Jn° told me, this Jew and Langdale that was Agent here, fought.

21st.—The Young Man that is hired with me, Sam' Dean, running after our cow to bring her home this morning has cut his foot so bad that he keeps an Intire Cripple & I am oblidged to do all that is to be done partly myself—this store I think was never so distitute of hands before. I apply’d some time since to y* Collon’ to allow me one of y* Provincials to assist in this Store as both General Standwix & Moncton alow’d of it, but, his Answer was that they were so necessiat’d for to get y* fort put in better order & to have work done, there could not a Man be spair’d, & I think they are very deligent y* Drum beats as its light in y* morn- ing to set all to Work & holds it untill y* Gun fires late after sun Down. Mostly y* works going on are y* fort Banks raising higher, a fine large Stone House, a Build- ing in y* S. E. Corner of y* fort for a Governor’s House, Stone quarring & Squairing for the House, quarying for Lime & Burning y* Same, Making & Burning Brick, & farming & Gardening, having a fine Inclosure under Indian Corn & divers things, Mowing & Haymaking abroad up both Rivers.

22d.—No more acco’ of y* Generals coming here.
24th.—Going after our Cow this Morning, getting my feet wet in y* Dew, got something of y* Ague.

25th.—There's been much Rain toward y* Heads of y* Aligania River as it has rose very High in y* night.

26th.—Here is much Rain. I went over y* Monongahela & gatherd some Ginsang, but rained heavy before got back.

3mo 1st.—There has nothing Material happen'd this Week past, only I heard of one of y* Lieutt belonging to y* Train who went from here having Shot a Man below Bedford some Miles, only for stricking his dog that was feighting y* Mans dog & stuck both in parting them, for which he first Horse Whipt y* Man & then shot him through y* Head with a Pistol. Doctor Millen being sent for from this place to try to Cure y* Man but too Late.

Last night Collon1 Bouquet had a large Sum of Money Stolen out of his Room in y* fort while he was out at y* Mess House about ten o'Clock at Night, has Advertised Two Hundred Dollars for y* discovery of y* thieves, and Pardon to any One of them that will discover of y* Rest; y* Sum is said to be y* Matter of One Thous* Pounds Stole.

George Croughan is gone toward Detroit with White Wampum to endeavour to settle y* Nations there as there has been a Plot discover'd amongst y* Indians, in which they had propos'd to attack, that place & this & Niagara all in one Night, by storming y* Places or geting in Sliely & then destroying y* People with Tomhocks. As it is said they are not settled yet, they keep Robing People betwen Venango & Presque Isle, such times causes exercise of minde & some dread which proceeds from weakness as I can die but once & my peace being made, while I keep it, what need I fear y* Sting of Death as I feel no guilt in my Soul.

2d.—There has been £100 of y* Collo1 Money found in
one of ye Great Guns & there has been much searching for ye Best, but did not search our House.

3rd.—I hear that ye Mingoes has request'd Lieut. Piper (who kill'd ye Indian for Stealing Horses some time ago) to be deliver'd up to them, upon which acco't he is sent away from this Place.

An Indian came here from Tuscorowas Town where ye Beaver King Lives, informs that ye Beaver's family gets Rum at this place frequently & carries home by which ye Indians frequently get Drunk pawning their Cloths Wampum & all they have for it; that two Mohaks Indians got Drunk there, & ye One kill'd ye other in fighting, him self being much wounded, & that the Mohacks were not pleas'd with ye Beaver King about it; its commonly said that Levy ye Jew sells Rum to ye Indians & some publickly by ye Collo's mission, especially to ye Beaver's family.

4th.—Levy's Negro run away with ye Indians last Night. A young man Call'd Wm. Ramsey has made two little Boats being squair at ye sterns & joined together at ye sterns by a Swivel makes ye two in form of one Batoe, but will turn round shorter than a boat of ye same length, or raise with more safety in falls & in case of striking Rocks; he has also made an Engine that goes with Wheels inclose'd in a Box to be worked by one Man by sitting on ye end of ye Box & treading on Traddles at bottom with his feet setts ye wheels agoing which works scullers or short Paddles fixed over ye gunnels turning them Round ye under ones always laying hold in ye water will make ye Battoe goe as if two men Row'd & he can steer at ye same time by lines like plow lines.

5th.—I hear ye Beaver King is gone with Croughan to-ward Detroit & that Collen' Johnson is to meet them to Hold a Treaty there & that ye Indians had deliver'd ye War belt up, to ye Command' there which they made.

6th.—I receiv'd a Letter from Frederick Post dated
27th of last month at Tuscorawas Town, in which he informs me that the Indians are not all willing to deliver up prisoners as yet & that he has hard living amongst them any provisions they have being to dear—a bushel of corn being forty shillings, one quart milk two shillings & six pence, one pound butter ten shillings & for washing one shirt two shillings & six pence, & venison seven pence, he also adds that he hopes of being of service amongst them & signifies that he was in fear some time ago when y* beaver took six ceggs rum there & they were drunke six days; that they talk of going to philadelphia soon to hold a treaty there.

7th.—Had some little trade to day tho, trade is very dull here now.

5th.—Was invited to a barbacue of tortle this day by levy y* jew & crafford y* trader, but had no appetite for y* feast, being held on y* island & they came over about dusk like so many drunken indians.

9th.—My namesake indian returned from his hunt last night, having brought thirty skins with him & dealt them with me. This day, had I once more of some shawanas being brought to me by jn* owen, who is desirous to serve y* commiss*.

10th.—The indians that deal at our store, often want to stay in y* house at nights while they remain here, & often want victuals; they also want to bring their squas to lie with at night, which I object against, letting them know that they shall bring none such to sleep in our house, & having shut out two squas last night, they kept throwing stones on y* house & door after we went to bed, until we went out & threaten’d them away. So many robberies committed here at nights that all noise tends to keep me from sleep & y* fleas together, that I get but little sleep.

12th.—Several hunters that lodg’d here are going out this day to hunt & leaves all their best cloths & things in my keeping. I am indispos’d w* a kind of desentery.
13th.—I have been Poorly all this Day; had some Trade, receiv’d a Bill of Lieut’ Meyer on Cap’ Harry Gorden on Acc’ some Wine I sold him belonging to Allex’ McMullen; he is going with a command of Men & some Bullocks & pack horses to Build a Block House at Sandusky.

14th.—Had some conversation with Delaware George in which he informs me that y’ Indians cannot settle matters amongst themselves so as to Go to hold a Treaty this year at Philad’, & that White Eyes & Beaver did not let him know when White Eyes went to Philad’, that their Nation are subject to three Heads, Viz y’ Beaver, himself & White Eyes which all be consulted.

15th.—Receiv’d some Lines from Frederick Post, in which he says that things about them at Tuscorawas is Still & quiet, y’ Indians being gone to y’ Treaty at Detroit; but that he is in a Suffering Condition for want of Proviss’ & requests of me to send him some y’ first operty.

16th.—Receiv’d y’ first Letter from Joseph Morris signifying of Jn’ Langdale haveing Resign’d y’ Agency, & Josiah Devenport & I, & some others being return’d to y’ Governor he gave Devenport y’ Commiss’ to be Agent here, & that Langdale comes with him to Deliver up y’ Store.

17th.—Having sent Sam’ Dean over y’ River with y’ Battoe for an Indian with a Load of Skins, who came, & as we began to Deal for them Crafford y’ Old Trader came to y’ Store after them bringing some Indians with him, whom he had set on to draw y’ man with y’ Skins away from our Store which they effected, by teeling y’ Indian that was about Dealing, that our Stillards was too light, & having sent for Ormsbey’s Stilliards I wey’d y’ Skins with them & there was about One Pound more by them in about one Hund’ W’ tho I told y’ what I could & had an Interpreter, yet they took them to
Crafford & I am very Suspitious he keeps two Pee's to his Stilliards.

18th.—I am inform'd that several Prisoners gives Account that y* Indians are generally of opinion, that some of them can hurt y* others, by some bad Acts as Witchcraft &c but that they cannot hurt y* White people & that y* Indians endeavored both at Legoneer & this Place to hurt white people to no effect, that at Legoneer they with much difficulty Put some thing in y* water in hopes to Hurt y* People but to no effect, which gave them a Strong opinion of y* White People.

19th.—Ordered Philip Boyle (he being going to Sanduskey with flour a Suttling) to supply Frederick Post with what Flour he wanted.

21st.—Josiah Devenport Ariv'd here, having left Jn° Langdale Sick near Fort Loudon, with orders to sell off y* goods as soon as we can.

22d.—The Traders seem'd to expect y* Province Goods to be Sold at Vandue or at y* first Cost, but disapointed.

24th.—Jn° Langdale's not coming hinders our taking an Inventory of y* Goods, but I keep Trading with what offers.

25th.—The pres' Agent seems in great favour with y* officers and Collo' Burd has offer'd his Service in being sent at taking y* Inventory of y* Goods in case Langdale do not come.

27th.—Matter of twenty odd of y* Soldiers in y* Guard House for desertion & neglecting their work at y* quarries & y* Criminals thats in y* dungeon for sundry crimes, canot have a trial until some higher officer comes.

28th.—My Brother Charles taken sick with a shivering & Chilliness turn'd to a nervouss fever, Bled & tooke a Vomit; this day Jn° Langdale came here.

31st.—Began to take acco' of y* Goods y* 28th when Jn° Langdale came.
9mo 1st.—Kept taking an Inventory of ye Goods.

14th.—About ye 14th Ins Jn Bartram ye botanist & Member of ye Royal Society came here, who I was glad to see & well receiv'd by Collo' Bouquet & ye officers. About this time one of ye most reserv'd men in appear-ance amongst ye officers call'd Jam's Miller, Chirugen of ye Garrison, Cut his own throat at Night in his Room with two Rayzors, which affect'd ye People very much in General; he had been at times Hipt or Lunatick.

16th.—About this time Jn Bartram, Cap' Gordon & me went over ye Monongahela looking for Curioussities in Plants & having shewn Bartram a Vine, that I looked on as rare, we pull'd of its fruit, being long like Cucumbers which he recons a great rarity or new Genus, if it proves not to be Aristolochia, not being ever found in these parts before; also a fine Violet in Blossom which is a rare thing in ye fall.

Bartram desirous that he & I should go out by our-selves, we did another Day going to ye Saw Mill & up ye Run from thence ye South of ye Monongahela Mountain in order to go to ye French Lime Kiln & ye Coal Mine which lay on a Branch of ye s't Run, but we keeping ye Main Run it lead us some Miles wrong to ye South & coming on Rain, we set by Gess a Course ye nearest way through ye woods & came right opposite to ye fort; have observ'd some Curiosities.

18th.—Having propos'd to go down ye Ohio to ye Oyle Spring & desirous of my company, we Set off this Day in company with Cap' Bryen of ye Provincials, being also bread a Friend, & four of his men to work ye Battoe, also Hugh McSwain for an Interpreter, ye Collonel having furnish'd us with a tent & Provisions, also Liquor plenty. I tooke ye Courses of ye River as we went, by a Good Pocket Compass having several Islands & from Pittsburgh to ye mouth of Beaver Creek will be very near a North West Course. Not having many Crooks we first put ashore in a long Island below
Shirtees Island, got some Plumbs—Jn° Bartram found a Sort of Sun flower or else a New Plant, that he had not seen y° like before, having Stalks 5 or 6 foot High & Squair & hollow bearing allways two long small Leaves together oposite sirrounding y° Stem like through stem y° Blossoms were fell. Next we went a Shoar at y° Log’s town, there being no inhabitants now, but above 100 Acres I supose Clear’d Land being on y° North Side y° River & very thin Soyle y° Adjasent Hills but poor. Some of y° men like to have poysnod them selves here Eating y° Indigo Peas, whilst we were walking out to y° woods. Prosee’d down to Beaver Creek about 8 or 10 Miles from y° Logstown & 30 Miles from Pittsburgh, where only lives Gray Eyes or Sir W° Johnson so call’d, one of y° Heads of y° Delawares, but he was gon to y° treaty now held at Detroit, some Women & Children being at home. He has a Good Shingled House & several Stables & Cow houses under one Roof Built by y° General’s ordr°. We Pitch’d our Tent near y° House & made us a fire when W° Turnum & another Ind° man about dusk came in from Hunting; they sat with us some time & we gave each some Bread and a Dram, Turnum talks English well & being observing y° Stars he could shew us y° North Star & y° Great Bear & says y° Indians knows them & y° Plannets by Particular Names, very well & observes their motions but they could not inform us of y° Oyle Springs.

19th.—Set off very early this morning down y° River, being very foggy; y° River seems here to make a Right Angle y° Course from y° Mouth of Beaver Creek being very near South West, with some Island & seems not much wider than at Pittsburgh but about 7 or 8 foot Deep in places.

Kept down y° River untill about 11 o’Clock having judg’d we went near 20 miles below Beaver Creek, being told that y° Oyle Spring was at y° mouth of Little Beaver Creek about 8 miles from y° former on same
side y* River but no such Creek could we find in this Distance, so we put on Shoar on y* Point on an Island, y* River apearin to turn more Northward round y* Point of a Hill just in sight here we Dined, View'd y* Island, many pieces of Stone Coal lying amongst y* small Stones washed down withe y* River, so we went no further down but having y* wind fair hoist'd Sail & Row'd along shore up again; put a Shore on y* South side, at y* mouth of Creek where was very rich Bottoms. Bartram y* Cap & I often walk'd along Shore & in y* evening being got very near y* mouth of y* Creek we left this morning, walking along a Path on high Land above y* River came to a Town (abo' a Mile below Gray Eyes) where was near to 20 well made, (but small) Stone Chimneys & several frame Buildings, some of which had no Shingles or Clapbords on; y* Houses were mostly Burn'd or destroy'd that belong'd to y* Stone Chimneys. There was like one or two Chapples with Immages of faces cut on y* Posts, but marks of Tomhocks struck in y* sª faces, & one y* nose cut off. I am informed since that this town was where y* French had intisied y* Shawanes to come & settle, to be more handy to go to war against y* English. We walk'd up to y* mouth of Beaver Creek, but y* men being tyred put ashore & Incamp'd a little lower, so we return'd to them, & stay'd there all night, McSwain going to Gray Eyes & on his return told us he eat some Good Butter which Gray Eyes had made while he was there.

20th.—Set off soon this morning & came to Logstown but went ashore on y* South side y* River opposite to where y* town was, where was very Rich Land & we jug'd about 100 Acres Clear'd growing with high Weeds & Briars, here they us'd to Plant Corn. Search'd y* Ajesent Woods for y* Horse Chestnut Trees, but could not find them, y* Children at Beaver Creek having strings of them about their necks, they grow on an Island below Shirtees, but we did not land
on it to see them; lay this night by y* River side on long Coarse Grass.

21st.—Came up y* next Day to Pittsburgh & walking along y* River side found Pieces of Putrifid stuff made into Stone but y* Shapes of Shells in places, in other places y* shapes & bulk of Hickary Nuts with y* fair Husks on, opening in four Points & quarters in y* top of y* Nutt. Jn° Bartram calls them Shells, but I call them nuts; walk'd this evening out about Grant's hill & view'd some of Mens Bones that lies about yet.

23d.—Jn° Bartram set off to Redstone Creek up y* Monongahela on his way to see y* Warm Springs in Virginia & it rain'd for two Days. Y* Inventory of y* Goods been all taken, only y* Household Furniture before I went down y* River.

26th.—Here has been acco* from Delaware George to y* Coll1 that a Party of Mingoes being at Beaver Creek in liquor signified their Intention of laying wait about y* Garden at Pittsburg in order to Kill y* Collo1 or some officiers which ocassioned orders to be Issued that none of y* officiers should walk out in y* Garden alone & unarm'd, nor to be out after y* Gun fired in y* evening—there has been latter orders also to reinforce y* Guards at night & y* Militia Cap1 Crafford reviews his Watches at night in y* way of a Town Watch; he has summon'd Josiah Davenport and Cap1 Trent to join y* Militia & stand Sentries, but they dispute y* point thinking them-selves above it.

10mo 1st.—Croughan is returnd from y* Treaty at Detroit & information is made to us by Leu1 Ralph of y* Royal Americans, that y* Collo1 has had a Copy of Johnson's Journal, which gives account that y* Beaver King held a Counsel with y* other Nations (before Gen1 Johnson arriv'd) telling them that they were mislead as he & his people were by the French, & that since he was better acquaint'd with y* English than many of them were he assur'd them that they would find them a
people much preferable to y° French & that they might
do what they judged best, but that him & his Nation
would always hereafter joine with y° English; its also
said, that he confess’d at y° following Treaty, that this
Summer y° War Belt and Hatchet was brought from y°
Six Nations, & offer’d to him & his Brother Shingass,
but that he threw it against y° Wall & would not except
of it, its said also that y° three Heads Men of y°
Wyondot Nation all agree’d not to except it but seiz’d it
& deliver’d it to Cap’ Camble at Detroit. The Con-
clusion of Collo’ Johnson’s Treaty is said to be that
he has cast off y° Onandago Yoke (of y° Six Nations)
from y° Delawares, Shawanas, Wyondots, Picks or
Tweetwees, & others to y° Westward which makes those
Nations a Seperate Power Independ’ of the Six Nations
& that both Powers has seperately join’d in alliance now
with y° English, both offensive & defensive, on which
some Hundreds were set off against y° Cherokees &
that y° Prisinors that wants to leave them may come
away, but they that do not or cannot drive them away.

6th.—A Speces of Violets, now very thick in Blossom
over y° Monongahea & several of y° Common Blue
Violet in Blossom which I judge must be y° second
Blossoming this Summer, one plant of which I have
remov’d to y° Garden thinking to carry it down Home
& y° Seeds of y° other also y° seeds of y° Aristochlia
& a fine rare Rassberry Plant like y° Nine Bark wood.

7th.—The late Agent let me know that y° Commiss’
or some part of them were so Indulgent toward me that
if at any time I rather chus’d to be relased from y°
Service to let them know & they would do it, which I
take very kind & has wrote to them about two weeks ago
to be pleas’d to send another in my room, which I hope
soon now will arive.

8th.—There is a Proclamation from Collo’ Johnson
Posted up here for all y° Indian Traders to Adhere to,
y° Prices of y° Goods that is now fix’d at a more bene-
fishal profit than here before; all y° Traders to have a Pass from Sr Wm Johnson or George Croughan Esq' else y° Commanding officiers at each Post are forbid to let them Trade.

9th.—Frederick Post came here from Tuscorawas & having a meeting with y° Indians there, before they set off (to y° Treaty) at Detroit, he let them know that the good Spirit had sent him amongst them in order to do them good & inform them in y° Christian Principels, to which they answer'd that they were very willing of his living amongst them, but not on them tearms, as they seen no better fruits or works amongst Christians than amongst themselves, but he told them that y° good spirit was with him, when he came to them in y° War time & that they had no reason to repent of his coming amongst them that time, and that now if they did not receive him on y° tearms he mentioned y° Good Spirit ordered him to leave them, and go to some others, having made them as y° head men of that Nation y° first offer & call'd for his Horse to be gone, but they would not consent to let him go, so he is now preparing materials in order to build a House to live in, & keep School, & instruct them as far as he can or they will receive, but tells them that their hearts are not prepair'd to hear the gosple.

12th.—About this time y° Beaver King & Shingas came here & held a small council w' Geo. Croughan, & y° Beaver told me they would go to Philad' next Spring to Confirm their alliance with our Province.

15th.—About this time I went to get Coal over y° Mountain South side of y° Monongahela about 1½ Miles from y° s'd River with four men & 3 Horses caried them in bags to y° River & bro' home at night in a flat abo' 40 Bushel fine Coal being dug out before. I kill'd a Turkey.

16th.—One Agness Miller, being a Captive amongst y° Shawnes, was delivered up here as also two other
little Girls, Daughters of Charles Stuard & Jam* McBride, taken from y* Coves, one of them being taken by Shingus & belon’d to Pisquition. Langdale had orders from Israel Pemberton to advance £20 for redeeming Agness, but she being deliver’d up cost nothing.

23*.—Langdale left this place and set off home, after leaving a Protest in Writing with me (as he was just going) being against all Josiah Davenports & my Actings in y* Store since y* Day he left it in order chiefly, as he told me, to clear himself if any thing happen’d in y* Goods which he said was only matter of form, as he never alledg’d any dishonesty to any of us. One Blaine y* officer which Commands at Ligonier came here. I have had no Answer as yet from y* Commiss*, which gives Frederick Post some encouragem* (if I am set at liberty) to go to see him to Tuscorawas.

11* 1*.—The Shawana Chiefs came here & Held a Treaty of Peace with Geo. Croghan where none was admitt’d but Croghan’s Assistant, (Tho* Hutchins) & himself & Indians I heard they promis’d to keep in friendship with y* English for ever & blam’d y* French for drawing them away from y* English Intrest.

9*.—This Day my Brother Charles hired with us at our Store for y* Winter Quarter at Three Pounds p’ Month—y* ninth 11* 1761 & Samuel Dean went off.

12*.—Many Traders gone with Goods to Trade at y* Indians Towns. One Tho* Cape that was Prisoner amongst y* Shawanas, being taken from Cape Capen in Virginia, being set free, we have taken him to live with us.

16*.—I am inform’d by Tho* Cape, that when y* Indians Kill a Deer in y* Woods & being in haste to follow y* Game, they leave a Cap or some part of their Clothing on y* killed Game untill they return, which hinders y* Buzzards & Vermin to Eat it, also that if they intend to leave it all night where its kill’d they Bark or Blase
3 or four Trees round it & then wets some Powder in their Hand untill it is dissolved then dips their finger in it & Sprinkles it on y* Blaszes, which in y* Night will look like Sparks of fire all round, & no Vermin would touch y* Carcase untill it would rot there.

18th.—Butter is brought here by y* Cask @ 14d & 13d and 1 Shilling p' lb, Turnips for one Dollor p' Bushell, being raised here.

19th.—The Fort Banks here is very near raise'd, which makes it look much Stronger than it was in times of more danger by accounts, y* front next y* Inhabitants being of Brick and Corners of y* Angles of Hewn Stone, about [1] foot High y* Back part next y* Point where y* two Rivers Meets being of Earth & soded all so that it grows thick of long Grass that was done last year & they have Moov'd y* Bank several times this Summer its four Squair with a Row of Barracks along each Squair three Rows of which are Wooden frame work & y* Row on y* Bank side next y* point is Brick also a large Brick House built this summer in y* South East Corner of y* Roof being now aputing on, having fine Steps at y* Door of Hewn free Stone, a Cellar all under it, at y* Bank Side of y* Barracks opens ye Doors of y* Magazines Vaults & Dungeons lying under y* Great Banks of Earth thrown out of y* Great Trinches all Round in these are kept y* Strores of Amunition &c & Prisoners that are to be tried for their Lives, in these Vaults are no light but as they carry Lanthorns, on y* South East Bastion stands a High Poal like a Mast & top Mast to Hoist y* flag on which is Hoisted on every first Day of y* Week from about Eleven to One o’Clock & on State Days &c there are three Wells of Water wall’d in y* fort, & a Squair of Clear Ground in y* inside of about 2 Acres.

20th.—I have been Inform’d by a Young Man that was order’d by y* Commanding Officer, Collonel Bouquet, (this Sumer) to Number all y* Dwelling Houses without
y* Fort marking the number on each Door that there was above one Hundred Houses but y* Highest number I have seen by beter acco* there is 150 Houses, to take notice of I think was Seventy Eight, these being y* Inhabitants of Pittsburgh, where two years ago I have seen all y* Houses that were without y* Little Fort they had then, thrown Down, only One, which stands yet, also two that was within that little fort is now standing being y* Hospital now, all y* rest being Built since, which if y* Place continues to Increase near this manner it must soon be very large, which seems likely to me.

21st.—As to y* Government of y* Place at p'sent y* Chief Laws have been Out by y* General's Orders, which are Viz 1st That all Subjects may by applying to y* Chief Enginrear Build Houses, but none to Sell or Rent any; that no person shall buy of y* Indians, Horses nor Bells, &c.

11me 21st.—To Sell no Rum or Strong Liquor nor give to Indians on Pain of having their Houses pull'd Down, & y* Transgressors being banished the place. There was also some time ago, restrictions about Selling the Indians Pow'd & Lead to exceed five pounds for one man at Once of Each & that there must be no dealing in Trade after y* Evening Gun is fired after Sun Down. Some people have had their Houses pull'd Down for y* Brech of some of these Laws & themselves Banish'd.

25th.—This Day y* Provincial Soldiers Time expired, but are not discharg'd, y* Collo' waiting for an answer whether they shall be continued over y* Winter.

27th.—Y* Provincial Soldiers disarts without a Discharge & seems to be as willing to return, many of them as they were to List being kept to Constant Labour here at Building y* Banks of y* fort quarring Stone & Cutting Wood, which they perform'd as expeditiously as any that has work'd here & I heard that the Colo' should say they done an emense sight of work for y* time, so
that our province has no small Share in raising y* Banks of Fort Pitt.

30th.—We have been very Busey in getting Home a Stock of fire-wood being Cut about a Mile up y* Allegheny & 150 Yards from y* River side some we haul’d with a Cart to y* River & some Carried & brought it home with a Battoe.

12mo 1st.—Many of y* Inhabitants here have hired a School Master & Subscrib’d above Sixty Pounds for this Year to him, he has about Twenty Schollars, likewise y* Soberer sort of People seemes to Long for some publick way of Worship, so y* School Master Reads y* Littany & Common Prayer on y* first Days to a Congregation of different Principels (he being a Prisbiterant) where they behave very Grave (as I hear), on y* occasion y* Children also are brought to Church as they Call it.

5th.—The Provincials are discharged & Marches off with Coll' Burd, this Place having but few Soldiers left in it.

Here is about 51 of y* Sennica Nation Wariors, with a Steady big Old Man, their Head, going to War against y* Cherokees. They have made a Speech at their Coming that we should not think hard of them Concerning y* Conspiracy they began this last Sumer, as that matter was Settled & they intend to live in peace with us for y* futor, & being in need of some necessaries they hop’d we would supply them as they were going against y* common Enemy to us as to them. This Nation are Said to be y* most against y* English of any of y* Six Nations.

7th.—It has snow’d for two Days (y* 5th & 6th) but no frost of any Value being in y* Earth, & y* weather Not very Cold, much of it has melt’d; it was about 2 foot deep on y* Plains in other places deeper; it continues mostly Cloudy & Spits some little snow, freezes, & this day there is much Snowy Ice driving in y* Rivers; y*
Sennica Wariors have got ye last provissions allow'd them this Day with orders to go being Supply'd with all they ask'd, they are very troublesome by crowding into ye Houses & thronging our fire Places, but behaves Civell ye Indians in General being so theevish that we are under ye necessity to watch them with ye utmost care & must be loosers after in some things unless we had as many spyes as they have thieves; this makes them fare ye worse amongst us, as we are afraid to let them Sleep in our Houses, or indulge them to tarry any longe time, but many of them are so good natured that they wont be affronted readily.

12mo 8th.—The Head Sennica Warior dealt Seven large Bucksins with me, when many of them Croud'd in ye Storeins being very Theivish (ye Agent being out) ye Warior seem'd not easy pleas'd with his full Pay which he took in Powdr, so I gave him a Loaf of Bread which was satisfactory to them; one of them bringing a small Skin want'd Brass Wire for it, but could hardly please himself amongst a variety of sorts, telling me to hand more, which I looked upon it as a Stratagem to keep me bussie that ye others might have oppertunity to Steal something. Several of 'em want'd to get behind ye Counter but I always turn'd em back & all they got was a Handful of salt. One took out a kegg that stood behind ye door, whilst my Brother just step'd out, so I turn'd them all out & ye Hindmost stop'd by ye door & begg'd for a Little Salt, so I gave him a Handfull he being disappoint'd in Stealing of it.

9th.—It set to Snowing yesterday & continues snowing a little yet, but is not very cold, nor has not fell much. Ye Ice drives in ye Allegheny, only I am inform'd by a Prissoner that ye Shawanes set free here, that ye Head Man Call'd Manacotootha (signifying ye Scy) set off from ye Lower town to come to ye Treaty they Held here, but had not come far until his own heart smote him so with Guilt (it seems) he was for
turning back & having come your way after did come here nor did not let his son come saying your English would imprision them, & your whole Company would have turn’d back, only for the Perswasions of One Leading Man Of your Nation Call’d the White Horse, who carried his arguments with such force & reasons that they must unavoidably come at Last to your English Terms, so brought your Majority along, but before they reach’d here, Strictly Charg’d your Prisoners when they got amongst your English not to tell any Lyes of them & your Women not to tell their usage. Guilt often needs no accusser!

10th.—Very smart Frost, your Ice drives thick in your River, these Warriors are not yet gone nor can they get them away. This Evening Teaf’s Goods gone over your River in a Batoe; they are to set off tomorrow to Beaver Creek with them down your River, tho it seem’d with much difficulty they got a Cross to your Island for Ice; they propose to go to your Miammi Country amongst your Tweetwees.

11th.—The Monongahela shut up last night & your People Crosses on your Ice; to Day your Hunters comes in with their Skins & plenty of meat.

14th.—It Rains & your 51 Warriors is set off down your River in three Large new Canoes, shouting as they go.

15th.—Stormy weather Cloudy & Spitting Snow, people keeps coming in here from your Inhabitants & some going notwithstanding your Weather.

16th.—It broke up your Ice last night in your Monongahela so that with your flood that is in your Rivers; some Batoes are drove away & your Guard stop’d several that was broke loose & agoing though—there is plenty of Snow still remains.

17th.—I am inform’d by our Servant, Tho Cape, who was Six Years Prisoner amongst your Shawanas, that they have much regard for your Great Eagle, they use your downey feathers of his Tayle stuck in their hair, also when they Shoot one of them, that they immediately
cut out his tongue & his heart & hide them in some rotten Log & hangs up y* Body for two Days, then bring it home, use y* wings, (took carefully off & join’d with some piece of white Linnen at y* Roots) to raise wind, as he says, which he has seen done, goes in some private place & fands with y* wings Singing some song all y* time for y* Space of near two Hours or more, when y* wind Will Raise ready to blow down y* Houses, y* downey long feathers of y* Tayle they keep laid up in Saele Skin, which they purchase of y* Cannada Indians whether being Heathen Idolaters they Realy can Act any Cunjuration Divination or Witch Craft I know not, but that they have many such Imposters amongst them I believe.

18th.—This Day it Clear’d & pretty fine Day, y* snow about 15 Inch deep. I am inform’d that y* Shawana head man got some Wheat sow’d that they had carried from some of y* frontiers during y* War which grew well, saved seed of y* Crop which they sow’d again part of it they Pounded in a morter to Meal which they made Bread of, this Tho* Cape says, that y* Head Man of y* Shawanas was heard to say, that in Case of a War breaking out again with y* English they will never make it up again.

20th.—Here was a little Old Delaware Man & family, he is call’d James Mokeson, & his Cossen a likly young man, they dealt about £100 worth peltry with us. Y* young man Could Cast up his own peltry & knows what they came to by his head; behav’d very steady, we using all means in our power to please them; they promis’d to come to us again in y* Spring, being very well pleas’d. Had hard work to put them over y* River, y* Ice drove so thick.

21st.—I heard by one of Teafe’s Men (that went down to Beaver Creek with his Goods), that Three men that set off to go down there, by Land, only one arive’d there when he came away & it was supos’d y* other two was
perishe’d in ye Snow, having parte’d from that one he did not know how.

23d.—Its Less or more Snow every Night & generaly dull Weather. I understand by Josiah Devenport who was lately up at Clappam’s place that ye Old Collonel Lives like some Prince, keeps many Hands at Work; rais’d many Hund’d Bushell Corn this Sumer, but ye Turkeys like to destroy much of it, they were so thick about in his Corn fields, that they Shot a Heap of them —ye place situate at ye Mouth of Sweekly Creek on Foxnigani.

24th.—It snow’d last night & to day so that ye Snow was in ye plains I think above Two foot deep & in other places a yard. Yesterday Tho’ Flemming arriv’d here wth a packet; he brot some Letters from ye Commissioners where they mention that I must not leave my bussiness here until my time is expire’d or at lest until they send one to supply my place. Many of ye Indians have been inquiring when Christmass would come & one young Man a Cossen of Delaware George’s ask’d me something ye Reason of it. I told him what ye white people took notice of ye time on account of what happen’d, then that ye Son of ye Good Spirit came in ye form of a Man & liv’d many Days amongst ye people, done Many Maricles & suffer’d the Jews to put him to death, shewing Men by his example that they should not War nor fight but suffer as he did, & on ye third Day that he rose & assend’d, he having power over Death, Men, &c., & would also raise good men again;— at which he seem’d much Affected & some others in ye Company.

25th.—Two of ye Royal American Soldiers, in their Sporting Last night Shot their Drum Major & Shatter’d his knee to pieces; they say they Shot only Powd’ at him, but they are put in ye Guard House & ye Doctor says ye Mans Leg must be Cut off & it will be Mortal. A Young Man, Cossen of Delaware Georges, tells me
he Gave or is to pay Levy y* Jew 10/ for a pair of white
plain Half thick Legons 1\(\frac{1}{2}\) yds & large French Blankets
is got to 24/ amongst them y* others 20/ which gives
me reason to believe when this Store is at an end y*
Indians will be much impos’d upon—they make them
commonly pay More then White people. Deep Snow
& now like for hard frost. A young Indian Man
brought us four Turkeys saying he was recommend’d
by several’s of his acquaintance to come to y* Quaker
who would use him very well & having bought them, &
paid him Six Shillings Cash besides Victuals & drink,
he going out heard of a better Market so came back &
got the Turkeys delivering y* Money again, but his
second Chap not pleasing him in dealing he brought
them back to us & had his money again, but he said
Dam it several times at y* Second Chap.

26th.—Frederick Post came here on his way to Philad*
having a Message from y* Beaver King & Shingass to
y* Governor signifying that they had confirm’d y* Peace
with y* Western Nations.

27th.—Oliver McConaughty & Allex’ McMullen came
from Sandusky having all their horses dead & out of
Eighty Horses belonging to Cap’ Calend’ but three left
some time ago able to go to see y* rest adying in y*
Snow; a percil of Soldiers came in that was going
beyond y* lake their feet frozen.

28th.—Receiv’d a Letter from John Bartram Botinest
to send him some seeds of y* Sweet Vine.

29th.—Frederick Post tells me that y* Nanticoke Tribe
of Indians are reconed by y* others to have first sup-
ply’d y* Indians w* poison, as they report that it was
made known first to them by some infernal Spirit who
was found at first in a House as an Infant which y*
Squa kept & fed untill in time it grew of a short & thick
size, took to kill y* others Children, so that they put it
to many Deaths but till it became alive again, so at last
came on conditions with them that if they would obey
it & serve it it would learn them how to do mighty things which they agreed to, then it shew'd them a Root which being Eaten by one of them poison'd him directly & upon Eating of another Root (which they have since lost y* knowledge of) was Cured directly.

30th.—In y* Message from y* Beaver King & Shingass to y* Governor of Penn* they say that as soon as they receiv'd his message for Peace 3 Years ago they immediately made their Wariors desist in making any more attempts against y* English, and has since been endeavouring to bring all y* other Nations in their Alience into y* s° friendship which now they have affect'd, since which there's Seven of their Flesh & Blood kill'd by our foolish young men which they d° hide und* a Cover from y* other Nations & their own Young men, having Spoke so much good of y* English to y* rest they are ashamed to mention this.

31st.—I tho't I felt a Shock of an Earthquake in y* night.

1762 1st. —The Weather Continues very moderate.

2nd. —Wm Ramsey from some part Maryland dy'd here; he told me he had a birthright amongst Friends: he sent for me some time before he dy'd, seem'd very penitent but was concern'd most for his Wife & 2 Children, he came out here after some runaway Servants & to shun a Debtor that he was not able to pay untill he Earn'd w° he ow'd him.

4th.—A young Delaware Man (Call'd William or Indakaughill) whom I trust'd last Summer abo' 50/ came here & own'd y* Debt s° he would pay me.

5th.—This Day Frederick Post gone for Philad*. Ramsey's Goods Sold to day at Vendue amo' £18:13:0.

8th.—Having Rain'd to Day & thaw'd, so that y* Ice broke up this Evening & y* Rivers Rose very fast; we had haul'd y* Batoe before as we tho't far enough up y° Bank, but y° Increse of y° flood caus'd us to tend her
almost all night, y* Water got round her & y* Rivers drove thick & rugged all over with Ice.

9th.—This Morning y* flood increasing still we had y* Bato up to y* Door, by Noon y* Street fronting our door undr* water; many People bro' Goods to us for preservation; got going with Canoes between y* Houses & Batoes, I set to work & got all our peltry up stairs & y* Wollings &c up about Dusk y* Water got to power into our Celler increasing with y* Same progress as at first y* Celler having no Wall but mud banks we conclud’d to shut all y* Doors fast & make our escape, y* Ice driving thick between us & y* Fort—some fellows waiting with a Canoe gave umbrage to us so that Josiah return’d out of y* Batoe & stay’d some Hours but fell out twice & had to swim till taken up several Inds stay’d till I went then went out having difficulty to get thro y* Ice.

10th.—I got into Col' Burd's House (with my Brother & Jam' McMullen) on y* Hill without y* fort where y* School is kept; this morning went with a batoe from y* Hill round y* fort & into y* Gate where Col' Bouquet, Lieu' Gord*, Ensign Price got in with us, they being walking on y* Bank, so row'd them thro y* fort to their quarters. Seen our House standing y* Water up to y* Window shutters; something getting against y* Door could not get it open. Josiah stay’d in y* fort. Toward Noon y* Water began to abate & at Dusk I & my Brother & a Lad came to our house in a Canoe, got y* Kitchen Door open’d run in y* Canoe to y* Stairs gave Each of them Choice to goe & take y* Canoe back or sleep up stairs, they chusing y* Later I took y* Canoe back & stay’d this night left them in y* House; found our Bitch & Pups safe up stairs & y* Racoon below.

11th.—Came Josiah to call me up soon this morning to go to our house not knowing I had plac’d lodgers in it last night, so we went, in a boat round from y* fort Gate to y* House, got in, made two fires in y* Hearths
& got to Cleaning y* House, y* Celler full Water & y* Bank much fallen in. Befor evening y* Water fell that y* Street got bare. Many Houses drove away & y* New Banks of y* fort Broke down very low. Many Goods wet & Damaged, y* Water geting into ye Magazines has I believe Wet all y* Amunition & our powd' also.

12th.—Y* River falls still but we have much trouble to get y* Celler drain’d & Several things Dryed that we left Down Stairs, none believing y* Water would raise so high. I here of none being Drounded yet, it Rose in about 32 Hours 38 foot very near.

13th.—I was inform’d some time ago by some Pack Horse Men that was at Tuscorawas that y* Indians there spoke very well of me (to th'em) & some Young Delawares that was here signified that was report’d amongst y* Indians that all y* Traders here would Cheat them but me & John Hart.

14th.—I think our Store recovers some of y* favour it Lost last year amongst y* Ind as I think we are now on a Par or excells y* rest here, except John Hart & he seems too Old for us having y* Languages.

15th.—Ind* Peeter sent some Turkeys from Redstone, but y* bearer kept ’em. Allex* McMullen turn’d back from Ligonier hearing that many People was Drowned here wth y* flood, one of his Brothers having stay’d here, his feet being frozen.

16th.—Inform’d that often some Old Men amongst y* Indians after Eating Victuals lifts up thire Hands in a very Solmn Manner & returns Thanks to y* Great Creator of all Things but not Vocally.

17th.—Abo' 30 Mingo Wariors came here in Two Cannoes fired Three Rounds when in sight up y* River, Request was made to us to find house room for some of em (as it Rain’d) so the Cap' & 9 more stay’d with us this night.
18th.—They behav’d very Civile & is mov’d to Day over y* Monongahela.

19th.—The Bushes abo’ Grant’s Hill Clad with wet Goods & Peltry.

20th.—I brought several Mingoes Incamp’d up y* River with their Peltry who dealt ’em with us.

21st.—Some more of y* Mingoes afforesaid procur’d a Keg Rum I know not where but were Drunken all night & some fought.

22d.—My old friend (as he calls me) Heecaise, having brought in his Hunt, I invited him home with me he having got Drunk & got sick he consent’d, so sent y* Battoo for him; he sent y* Peltry but did not come himself.

23rd.—The Mingo Wariers being in readiness to set off against the Cherokees, kill’d a Cow of Marcus Hulings (that was over y* River) rost’d her & Carried y* Pieces of Meat off for their jurney, altho’ they had Bread allow’d them every Day they stay’d but could have no poud so much being damag’d.

24th.—Tho’ Hutchins sent a String Wampum to y* Cap’ of these Wariors wanting to speake with him, but he return’d y* string (which is very unusual in friends to do) sent word he would come present’ but they went off & came not.

25th.—As report was made that they got Liquor amongst y* rest killing y* Cow was Imput’d to that & y* Collo’ having threaten’d to make them Confess who Isued y* Liquor that they should be punish’d I told Tho’ Hutchins that I judged some Old Trader had supply’d y* Mingoes with y* Rum & finding they were in danger of being discover’d had such Influence amongst y* Indians as to get y* Wariors to set off, which he thot to be very likely.

26th.—We bought y* Wariors Canoe, being abo’ 30 foot Long for 5 Strouds & p’ Legons.
27th.—Some Snow & Rain Jam’ McCrary set down y* River to go to y* Shawans Town.

28th.—We have been busy getting fire Wood down y* River this two Days past, & this Day rec’d Keecaise Skins & a nothers, to y* Amo’ of abo’ 30 pounds worth.

29th.—Most of y* Houses Carried off by y* flood is Mash’d to Pieces on y* Point on an Island below Shirtees Rock abo’ 7 miles down.

30th.—Has fell as much snow these two Days past that its above a foot Deep in Common but blown in Heaps. I finished my Peltry Acco’ (or made a Peltry Book).

31st.—Keecaise set off this Day wth his Cossens toward the head Branches of y* Monongahela; he left of y* Price of his Peltry in our Hands till he returns again £3..11..0, 1 Beaver Trap Bell & Collar & did not so much as ask what y* Ballance was, but that he would leave the rem’.

2mo 1st.—Been very Cold & spitting snow; were very busy in mending up y* Cellar Banks that broke in, in y* flood.

2d.—This Day Lieu’ Moyer of y* Train, ariv’d back from Sandusky after building some Blockhouse there.

3rd.—By Lieu’ Moyer’s Acco’ it appears y* Indians seem’d uneasy at his Building a Blockhouse at Sandusky & fretted him much, wanting Gifts, Provissions &c which he had not to give them & I hear he says he would sooner be discharg’d then go on such Bussiness again.

4th.—It’s been two Days of fine, thawing, Sunshine, I have a Pet Raccoon a Pet Raven & a Young Spannale Puppy come of Lieu’ Moyer’s Bitch which he gave me, I having sav’d them in y* time of y* Deluge or Inundation.

Prices of y* following Goods here Current: Flour in fall 35/ p’ cwt now 40/ p’ cwt; Loaves Bread 2nd 1/; fresh Beef p’ lb 7d; Mutten in fall 6d & 4d; Veal do; Butter in
Casks 1/ & 1/14 & 1/2 & fresh Butter 2/ in sumr & fall to 2/6 pr lb; Milk in Sumr 3d 4p qr & now 8d p qr; plenty Deers Meat & Beans @ 2d pr lb & Turkeys 1/6 to 2/6; Deers Tallow & Buffeloes 3d pr lb; Bears Oyle 4d; fall Deer Skins 1/6; Sumr 1/10; Indr Dress’d 3/; Beaver 1 Doller; foxes 2/ & Cats; Otters & Bears, 6/ each; Elks ditto; Raccoons 1/6; Fishers 3/.

Frederick Post says that yr Indians are Voide of Reason, but I find that in many cases they will hear to reason & allow it to be right, many of them will have their Peltry too wet, its like some on purpose & others by accident, & to reason with most of them in that case to make a reasonable allowance in w they will grummel much & be for carrying them to some other Trader, but it’s easy to make a reasonable allowance & not tell them of it all will go smooth enough, & scarcely any of them but may be easily Cheat’d, which I doubt they too often meet with.

5th.—This Day we had Thundr & Rain, being very warm, Cap’t Clappum Came here from his farm on Youhogheny, had a Shawana Man w him, call’d yr Cub, made a Complaint to Coll Bouquet that there was several Cabbins Built by white people up yr Monongahela & about clearing Land, So got orders to burn them all as he told me he lives on a Part of Geo. Croghans Tract it seems.

6th.—It seems as if I was some Obstruction to yr Progress of Satan’s Governen or Kingdom at this place, since none of his Temptations has effect to draw me into yr Practices that are too common here he sets some of his Instrum to raise Lyes of me.

7th.—Fine moderate weather, yr Rivers midling high; purposes tomorrow to set off for Bushey Run at yr Block House.

8th.—Got to Andr Buyerly’s at Bushey Run abo 25 Miles down yr Road in quest of Indians that was s to have many Peltry there abo, I only met yr Wolfe who
ow'd us for a Match Coat who paid me in Cash, having his Skins about 20 Miles off.

9th.—Being inform'd several of them lay near Legonier I went there, it Snow'd Most the Way, went off the Road at Nine Mile Run down it where their Cabins were but they were gone, got into old road, & Got to Legonier before dark, put up at Bakers.

10th.—Last night a Corporal came to ask me to wait on Commanding officer to have my Pass Sign'd, so I went to Day let him Know I was going no further, & had no pass, so he sent for me after to Dine with him which I Did, his name is Blaine, had no Company but me at Dinner; he Lives very Moderate from Excess, spent Evening in Garden.

11th.—Return'd this Day back to Brushey Run, ye Snow about a foot deep, but trod by some pack horses, that carried Skins back from our Store.

12th.—Got back home this Day having seen many Deer & Wolfe Tracks.

14th.—Began to journalise Books, Fleming Express came, bore letters wherein Commissioners wants to Know whether I Incline to stay Longer then this year.

17th.—Bore Several Shawanas over River with Meat & Turkeys; bore 9 Turkeys & 4 Racoons @ 1/6 per piece.

18th.—Busy journalizing. Came another Company of Mingo Warriors going against Cherokees.

19th.—Came John Armstrong & a nother young Delaware that lodg'd here several Nights, bore about 100 Peltry.

20th.—This Day we dealt for the whole & receiv'd one White Deer Skins being a Young Buck. Much Trouble we have had with Armstrong he wanting Liquor & upon geting a little amongst Sutlers he's more urgent for more knowing we have some.

21st.—The above young man Informs that Company of Warriors that Kill'd Huling's Cow here some
time ago is only gone as far as his Hunting Cabbin abo' 20 miles off & there they are hunting for their suport.— very smart frost now but y* Snow almost all gone here.

22d.—Men that Were Confined Last fall for forgery (being Soldiers) were tried by a Coart Marshall & judged to receive 1000 Lashes each.

23d.—This Day y* Mohack Wariors gone down y* River Singing as they went. Y* weather more thawing & spiting Snow.

25th.—Smart frost & as Cold as we had this Winter, & it is y* Hardest Winter y* Indians say they have seen here.

26th.—Coldest weather we had yet this Winter, note that y* Coldest Winds Blowing here, do not come from y* North-West nor from y* Lakes, tho' we are within 200 Miles (or Less) of Lake Erie bears North but y* Cold weather Comes from betwixt y* West & South West.

27th.—John Armstrong, an Indian born in y* Jerseys as he says & talks English, Informs me that several years ago there Came some Strange Indians to some of y* Delaware Towns out here being near as black as Negros with very Long Hair, stay'd some Considerable Time & took three Squas for Wives with them when they went off. Their Information of their Contry (by a Spaniard that they brought for an Interpreter which could Talk some of our Ind* tongues) was that it Lyes a Vast Distance over y* Mississippi near y* Sea being all Sandy Hills & Pine Woods, Chiefly Very Hot Climate; ye Inhabitants goes Naked, Raisses no Corn, but lives all on Meat & fish; Uses only Bows & Arrows, have no dealings nor Connection with any White People, (owing to thire remoat liveing from them, as I take it) that their Contry has Many very Large Horses in it which never lyes down to Sleep but leans against a Tree for that purpose, I have been of opinion that this Continent Produces Eliphants, as large Teeth have been found
in a Lick down ye Ohio between 4 & 6 lb weight, one of which I seen Weigh'd, which Weighed 4 lb.

3mo 1st.—Yesterday Morning ye Rivers were froze ye Most they been this Winter, being & now is in places quite across, but ye Weather is alter'd this day being Moderate.

3rd.—We got our Garden finish'd pailing, that was swept away with ye flood. Some Pack Horses come up with Flour, Rum & Butter.

4th.—This morning Snow again. I hear Cap' Bassat goes down in ye Contry to Imply Artificiers.

5th.—In regard of ye Prices of Peltry Advertized at this Place last fall by Ord'r of Sr Wm Johnson B. H., the Indians which was at the Treaty of Detroit says that they Heard no mention Made of any such thing there & they disapprove of ye Same.

6th.—As Treaties Held with ye Indian Nations is a Matter of such great Importance to ye Publick, & especially to these Collonies, notwithstanding there be Agents appoint'd to hold such Treaties, yet I think they should not be held in Private but so as any well affect'd Subjects, Protestants, should have a free access to heare ye same which at this place we are mostly deprived off;—here being no publick House for that purpose nor to Accommodate ye Indians, but stray into private Houses, where they can in ye Coldest Weather.

7th.—Killbuck was here lately & brought acco' that ye Shawanas had Kill'd some White people in Virginia, which is confirm'd by some Traders now come up, saying they bro' in three Scalps & ten Horses which ye Head Men Disapproves very much & used ye Traders well.

8th.—Through Mercy we were deliver'd last night, ye House having catch'd fire in ye Logs & was blasing up ye Clabbords & thro' ye Upper floor touching ye Roof when I Awak'd & heard it, so was happily Extinguish'd without allarming ye Neighbours. This Day a flock of
Swan flew by but Much Ice remains in y* Rivers shut in places.

9th.—Got our Garden pail’d in & now setting about Building a Counting House.

11th.—This Day Capt. Ramsly is come here from Philad*, bro* News that y* King of Prusia had Beat Count Dacino’s Army & that y* English Land’d in Martineco.

13th.—Tho* Kinton come here with Pack Horses, who Informs us that on y* Allegheni, Mountain & Laurel Hill y* Snow is near three foot deep, & there is Snow all the way till they came here almost, but its mostly gone here.

15th.—It Snow’d all Day yesterday for y* most part is Cloudy to Day but Moderate. Ind* Corn from 10 to 12/ p' Bushell, flour 37/, Butter 13d p' lb. Sent 12 Horse Load Skins down with Kinton; set to snow this evening.

16th.—This Day Dyed here Cap* Mather of y* Greni-deirs, & George Croghan is returned from Phila. Jn* Bard I hear informs, that most of y* Time he was at y* Lower Shawana Town y* Indians were Drunk.

18th.—Thund* & heavy Rain. As Chick-og-o-nick-an an Ind* got a Deed from William Penn for a Tract of Land
on ye West Branch Brandywine & after in some manner Sold by Old Newlin of Concord, now call'd Newlin Township, Neemakcollen, son of ye above Indian, says he got Drunk & lost ye Deed & that some of ye white People Cheated him of his Land, it might be well to have it search'd into & know how Newlin came by it. Cap' Mather Buried with much form. I am inform'd that ye White Mingo found a great numbr of Doe Skins & many Thousands of Wampum that belong to Ephraim Blaine in ye House about Eight Miles down ye River, being drove ashore there in ye Great flood.

19th.—Inform'd by Tho' Kinton that before ye Inda War, he being out here at a Town a little way up ye Allegheny, where the Indians found a Rat & Kill'd it, at which ye antians of them seem'd Concerned & told him that ye French or English should get that Land from them, ye same prediction being made by their Grandfathers' on finding a Rat on Delaware before ye White People Came there.

20th.—Some time ago here was some Indians that Traded at our House & One of them having some Bread Cut it in Several Pieces & gave ye others each a Piece, a Shawana Man & Women coming in, each got a Piece of Bread, on which ye Woman having ye Bread in her hand, Cross'd her self with same hand before she Eat it.

21st.—This being ye first Day ye Week, I may say, that ye People regard every Day so much alike that ye Shop keepers Sells more I think on that Day to ye Inhabitants then on Week-Days.

22nd.—Had a fine Walk yesterday after a Horse (ye Agent has on Trial), he stay'd out 2 days & I found him about 2 Miles off.

23rd.—Caught a Cat fish this Evening; the Weather very Variable wth Snow Showers & Hail; got Logs down ye River to Build a Counting House.

26th.—I set off to Andrew Buyerlys at Brushey Run on some bussiness relateing to our affairs. Met Col'
Airs there & Fleming y* Express. I went a little from y* house to Gather Mountain Tea, & y* Col1 came to me to see what it was, an being told by Fleming it was Tea, he asked me which were y* best Roots for Purging y* Blood, so I told my oppinnion.

27th.—Came back this Day in Company with y* above.

28th.—We were prevail’d on to Trade with some Indians that came up y* River this Day although y* first Day of y* Week.

29th.—Wet Weather, I have at sundry times Bled several Indians that apply’d to me & this Day Cano-stogo Will’s Brother calls himself Cap1 Lead.

31st.—I went up Croghan’s Place with a Horse which I left there & Walk’d across from the Allegheny to y* Monongahela thro’ y* Woods, being about three Miles scarcely across & about three & a Half from Pitts-burgh point.

4mo 1st.—Went up y* Monongahela to get Joyce Raffters for our Counting House, & while y* Men was Cutting & Loading them I & Allex' McCaskey went over y* Mountain on y* South side to find a better Road to the Coal Pitt, which I did find.

2nd.—Frederick Post return’d here from Philad, bro’d me a Letter & Silk Map from Israel Pemberton, Enjoying me to use my best Influence with y* Ind8 to bring y* Prisoners down to y* Treaty.

3rd.—Wrote an answer by one Millican, also Wrote to My Brother and Humphry Marshall.

4th.—A fine Day, sow’d Sallad & Red Beets & Cabbage yesterday. This Day Tho* Hutchins set off to go to Detroit Miammi & Michelemackanak & home by y* Shawana Town. I wrote to Ens* Jam* Gorrel Com1 at y* Bay to send me account or keep it at least till he came of all Curiosities.

5th.—Frederick Post set off to Tuscorawas last Night, he & I had some Argument, he having offten been carping a little about Friends Principles Signifying that
they are not Always Subject to y° Governm' where they Live, & they that resist y° Power of y° Legislator shall receive Damnation, hinting that when they have suffer'd, (as I took it in New England) they cry out persecution, which they bring justly on themselves, also as a law was made to pay Tithes they should do it; I Object'd & Argued that if he made it his fix'd Principles to Obey all Laws that were made in any Governm' where he might Come, he might be Guilty of Idolatry & of consequence he must think y° Legislators Infallible to fix such a Principle, all one as y° Church of Rome, thinks their Church but this Stall'd him & he gave out.

6th.—John Hart's Rum was Carried into y° Kings Magazine by y° Col'n order, Croghan having complain'd that he Sold Rum to y° Indians. Its tho't y° General will send orders to have all y° Houses in this Bottom pull'd Down.

(To be continued.)