

at this information, and remarked, that, as we had come of our own accord, without invitation, the Chiefs had no ground to be offended with them.

The Priest then stated the entrance of the river, and described the rocks on each side, and a sand bank, on the right hand, out at sea, as we got out of the mouth of the river.

He stated how many fathoms of water there were in the bank, & in the channel; & said he would accompany us in the morning, to examine the entrance & sound the depth of the water. We told him that we could not go in the morning, because tomorrow was sacred, a day appointed for us to pray to our God; but the morning after, we should wish him to go with us, if the weather would permit. He said that he was Priest of the Winds and Waves, & would command them to be still.

After talking on various subjects till a late hour, we sang a hymn as usual, thanked our God for the blessings that we enjoyed in a heathen land, and then lay down to rest. Our place was very full of natives, who remained with us all night; & the Priest never left us for an hour, night or day, till we arrived at Pangloss.

Oct. 3, 1819. Sunday. - After breakfast, I read the Church Service, and made a few observations on the Eleventh Chapter to the Romans. The chiefs and their people behaved with great propriety; and the Head Chief ordered all the children away, lest they should disturb us. Great numbers of men & women crowded round our shed.

The Priest said that he wished to learn to pray as we did; but he did not understand why we prayed to our God, when we appeared not to want his as-