

we had the satisfaction to see them arrive safe,
and waited until dark with the greatest anxiety
for their return; but neither of them came. The
Gale had fallen in currents, and the gale had increased.
we lay down in our little hut full of fear and alarm
for the safety of all on board. The night appeared
with the night very long dark and dreary as we could not rest, and
we most anxiously wished for the morning light
in hopes of receiving some account from the
Nepel.

Condition of the wreck
Sep. 8th when the day returned we had the happiness to
see the Nepel still upright, but driven nearer
in shore. No boat came from her, or canoe &
the gale still continued. About mid-day we
saw the Governour go over board; the natives on
the island shrieked aloud when she must fell -
I concluded they had cut away the mast to relieve
the vessel - we spent the whole of this day in
great suspense; as we could not conjecture why
all the passengers should remain on board
in the state she was in. At dark in the
Evening Mr William Hall returned, and informed
us that the bottom of the Nepel was beat out
and that both her Chair, and best women seats
were broke, and that she beat with such
violence upon the rocks when the tide was
in that it was impossible to stand upon
her decks - at the same time he was not
apprehensive that the people on board
were in any danger of losing their
lives as he did not think that the ship
would go to pieces, as she stood firm
upon the rocks when the tide was