

8<sup>th</sup> ditto. Have been, myself, with an escort to the river side to bring up to *Wildwyck* the *Esopus* Indian prisoners & the children with the *Wappinger* Indian captive, being in all 9 in number. On arriving at the shore, found the *Wappinger* chief and also one of his Indians on board *Rut Jacobsen's* yacht. Asked Lieutenant *Couwenhoven*, what were these two Indians for? Said it was the Sachem of the *Wappingers* with one of his Indians whom he had brought along but not as a prisoner — had come willingly on board as a friend. Asked him, If he would wish to return home and endeavor to let us have the female Christian captive? To which he answered, yes; says, he will bring her himself in six or seven days. Whereupon the Council of War decided that he and the Indian with him, should be released, and as they were at present our friends and had renewed peace we promised him if he brought back the Christian woman we should then let his brother go together with another prisoner. Whereunto he said, 'Tis well; gave him a bark canoe & let him go. Nothing else happened to-day as it rained unceasingly.

9<sup>th</sup> ditto. It still rained considerably. Sent an escort to the river side; *Rut Jacobsen* sailed with his yacht for *Fort Orange*. Nothing else happened.

10<sup>th</sup> ditto. A detachment was out with the wood cutters; nothing elsed occurred.

11<sup>th</sup> ditto. Sunday, nothing was done except sending a party to the river side with bread for the people in the Redoubt.

12<sup>th</sup> ditto. A detachment was out in the bush with the woodcutters. Nothing else transpired.

13<sup>th</sup> ditto. The Company's yacht arrived; brings some provisions for the garrison; also arrived at the Redoubt a *Wappinger* Sachem with eight Indians, bringing a female Christian captive whom he had purchased from the *Esopus* Indians and which he had promised us on the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. on board *Rut Jacobson's* yacht. The Council of War resolved that he and his attending Indians should be brought up to *Wildwyck*; they were accordingly conducted up by Lieutenant *Couwenhoven* and Captain *Thomas Chambers* and brought to *Wildwyck*. Sent for him to the Council of War and asked, what he had to communicate? He answered, I am come to perform my promise which I gave on board the yacht at the Redoubt, to bring in the Christian woman whom I bought from the *Esopus* Squaw, and I bring and present her to you now, because we are both friends. Whereupon we thanked him and said, that we should speak together on the morrow. Lodged them in Capt. *Chambers* house and had food furnished them. Meanwhile a detachment went down to the river side. Otherwise nothing occurred to-day.

14<sup>th</sup> ditto. The Council of War met again and resolved to release the *Wappinger* Indian, and to give him back to the Chief with one of the *Esopus* captive Squaws, pursuant to our previous promise, made on the eighth of November to the *Wappinger* chief, on board the yacht at the Redoubt. Invited the chief and his Indians into the Council chamber and presented him the *Esopus* Squaw and a little sucking infant, which they took; presented him also with two pieces of cloth in token of friendship. The chief then requested that we should live with him in friendship, which should be preserved by him. He gave us, in token thereof, a bow and arrow and said, I will not make war against the *Dutch*, but live in peace with them. We promised him likewise; gave each other the hand, and the said chief promised us to do his best to obtain back for us all the prisoners from the *Esopus* Indians that a mutual exchange should be made; for to morrow being Thursday, the *Esopus* Sachem would then come with the prisoners according to the promise he gave Lieutenant *Couwenhoven* and the provisional truce agreed upon for ten days with him, for he had promised to fetch the Christian prisoners to the Redoubt in the space of ten days, to be then exchanged one for the other. Now, what the result will be, when the ten days are expired, time will tell. So they again departed well satisfied. Gave them an escort to conduct