a canoe: they met with a very warm reception: after firing their cannon from the canoe 3 or 4 times, the powder became damp & the cannon hung fire, the men rushed back, capsized the canoe and every man in it was lost besides 3 or 4 who were shot on the opposite bank! By this accident, the natives probably recovering the cannon, (which was small) got possession of 3 large war canoes, and two cannon, the other was deserted on the opposite bank: the Americans are much afflicted & somewhat disheartened. —

How what is to prevent the natives from making an attack by land & sea? They have already offered communication with the Caballa people allies of the Americans and they (the americans) have only the aid of the natives, with the wind against, — most of the same tribe with the Gravesy people. If they should be unfortunate that would be some of life & property! — The Governor

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