

which we engaged of the owner to go over to the steamer to  
 fetch us some provisions at a very high price he like the rest  
 of the world knowing we was famishing took advantage of our  
 situation one of our party went with him <sup>& came back</sup> with some bread ham  
 & beef but all who was allowed to partake of this timely supply  
 of the staff of life had to pay 1 Shilling which many I  
 believe objected to because they loved ~~the~~ money better than  
 they loved their stomach. but for my part I felt thankful  
 for the opportune arrival & immediately took the opportunity  
 of enjoying the repast & I must confess my inner man felt much  
 the better for it but soon we was in another difficulty night  
 drew on fast & it began to get chilly & we felt very uncom-  
 fortable fearing our position was to be there all night we  
 therefore got some cord wood which was on the shore & made  
 some first rate fire which made quite an illumination so  
 that we could be distinctly seen by those on the boat &  
 they as clearly seen by us we made all kinds of Motions &  
 all kind of shouting to attract their attention & induce  
 them to fetch us aboard for along time it seemd in vain  
 but at last we heard or thought we heard a slight paddle on  
 the water we listend & looked with great attention & to our  
 great joy we found that it was in reality the steamer boat  
 then there was such a crowd around her ~~there~~ <sup>that</sup> there was the  
 greatest difficulty to get in but I most fortunately obtained  
 a berth in the first boat with the complement of a few