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Journal of the Ship Ruby 1794-5-6  
Charles Bishop

Re Koyah

p 126 "Capt. Boyd in a Sloop of 80 tons and man'd with 11 men exclusive of 6 Sandwich Islanders arrived at So. end of Queen Charlottes Islands in June from Boston the Natives, Koyes or Kower the Chief attacked Capt. Boyd's vessel, but was defeated with some slaughter without losing a man from the Sloop."

(This would be July 1795, named by Bishop in Nootka in Sept 95.)

Koyah again  
"Mercury"

At Nootka, informed by Capt Barnett & Barden of

p. 131 "These Gentlemen also informed us that a Large Ship supposed to be English and to belong to London, putt into a Sound at South end of Queen Charlottes Islands, some time last winter with the loss of some of her masts: the Natives for several days traded very peaceably with them, but from the distressful situation of the Ship, several of the Crew sick, and others on shore providing new masts they took the opportunity and putt of the vessel, killing the whole crew. The chiefs Name "Koyes" he had been

successful before in an attempt on an American Brig  
commanded by Capt. Metcalfe which he carried, killing  
the Crew - This is that Impudent Chief mentioned by me  
in Page 45, and whose intent was made known to us  
by the Sailor redeemed at Comswas to be, to attack  
this Ship in conjunction with Comswas tribe. Our  
knowing this is enough to prevent it happening . . .

We will most assuredly avail ourselves of the Power  
we have to punish this Bloody villain, if he should  
dare offer us the least insult "

( Never got there again )

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Cultivation at Cumskwa "several spots of land cleared  
p 80 in which there appeared to be something sowed."

Smallpox p. 105. <sup>near</sup> At Kargani - Chief Cow. July 1795

" They are very numerous and were much more so before the  
small Pox which raged here a few years since, and by Kowes account  
swept off two thirds of the people, scarcely any that were affected  
survived "

p. 116 Chief Shakes (Kitbatla?) Aug 1795

"... it seems the Small Pox is raging among them and altho'  
Shakes is quite recovered yet his Family are much affected  
by it and he has buried one of ~~the~~ his Wives lately his  
Elders and favourite son is now ill of this terrible disease "