Journal Entry for Sunday 5th November – Wednesday 8th November 1820

Use the map interactive found here https://mainestatemuseum.org/interactivemap/ and then find marker #12/Meductic Fort and click on "View Treat's Journal Entry for This Site" to examine the journal entry and map closely.

Now let's analyze the text:

Sunday morning 5th November – Severe Snow Storm – We persue our route about 7 miles to J. Holton's where we stay this night – continues snowing all day.-

Monday morning 6 November – Snow six inches deep – cold squally weather – We return to the River at Mr. Bulls – where we arrive at 3 P.M. and get dinner – weather very cold and squally – We go up to Mr. Phillips' and stay this night.

Tuesday 7th November 1820. – Weather very cold and squally – after getting breakfast we go down to Mr. Bulls and get our baggage and proceed down river to Maducktuck. –

At one P.M. landed at Watson's on the E. Side - here we meet Mr. Watson who lives at the Portage – he agrees to furnish us with provisions of which we are nearly out – not on hand more than for three days – We proceed down River to his house on the West side about one and a half miles where we land and have to wait to get some bread baked and get our stores &c. and it being to late to pass the Portage we remain here this night, at the house of Mr. Alexander Watson. –

Wednesday 8. November – Cold and appearance of snow storm After getting our store of Mr. Watson and a man to assist us across the Portage – we go ¾ mile below to Portage Road and proceed across – ascending a fine hard wood ridge three miles – thence descending hard wood land two miles – thence mixed and low land half a mile to Eel River Portage Landing where we arrived at ½ past two P.M. it commenced snowing at 11 A.M. -After getting some dinner we proceed up. -

Note on Grammar and Vocabulary:

Portage is a place where a boat must be carried, especially over land between two areas of water because the water is too low or the passage to rough to navigate.

Treat's Observations:

How has winter weather affected Treat, Neptune, and Holyoke's trip?					

Your Thoughts:
They have been traveling now for 40 days, imagine how they feel? Are they tired and discouraged by the long hard trip, or amazed and energized by what they have seen and the people they have met? Use your imagination to create a journal entry for November 6, describing how our explorers are feeling at this point in their journey.
Now let's analyze the map drawing: Use the map interactive found here https://mainestatemuseum.org/interactivemap/ and then find marker #12/Meductic Fort and click on "View Treat's Journal Entry for This Site" to examine the journal entry and map closely.
Treat writes that they stayed with Mr. Watson and bought supplies from him. Find "A Watson Store and Farm" on the map drawing.
Treat writes a note on the map "Meductic. Old Indian Fort & settlement, now abandoned". Although the fort may be in ruins, the Native settlement seems to be occupied. Find the three rows of Maliseet wigwams. Wigwams are noted on the map as triangles . A wigwam is a dome-shaped shelter, covered in bark or hides, built and used by the Wabanaki people.
Your Thoughts:
Do you have any questions or observations about this map drawing?