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also with two of his sons and three servants; one of them a female cook. Likewise came Tuan Buffora. We were pretty much crowded. Tuan Hadjee joined, in a corocoro of eighteen feet keel, and eight foot beam, which I had purchased and fitted up to assist us in our intended voyage. She was manned with fourteen people.

Tuan Hadjee, for his encouragement, had one half of her; and she was taken into the Company's service. Such Batchians as chose to go in her, had pay: some other sailors were shipped by me. The two Batchian officers came along in their corocoro, with about twelve people.

We rowed from the land lockt harbour on Little Batang Pally to Manafouin Bay, where we had once lain, and where I had wished to haul ashore. It lies in latitude $0^{\circ} 12' S.$ and longitude $127^{\circ} 0' E.$ We lay afloat close to the beach without any danger, and employed ourselves in cutting rattans, which we found at hand, to fix the outriggers of the corocoros; the fixtures of these embarkations being mostly made with rattans; but their timbers are tied to a kind of handle made in their plank, with a black strong cord, called Gumaty, which a certain palm tree produces, as the coco nut tree produces coir. Of this they also make good ropes. At Malacca they manufacture cables of it. At night, a son of Captain Mareca's, after I had made him some presents to engage him to go the voyage, went ashore, and I never saw him more.

Friday the 6th. I named the corocoro, on board of which Tuan Hadjee chose to remain, (for I durst not order him on board the gal-