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The texts in this Special Issue represent an interesting combination, covering as they do two contrasting historical studies of the North West Pacific: the sweeping ambitions of Russian imperial designs on the western coast of North America, and the closely-observed ethnographic studies of native peoples in that region by the Norwegian explorer Johan Jacobsen. I hope that the publication of these articles further confirms the value of *EJAS* as a portal for innovative research on North America from different national backgrounds and study fields.

The article by Andrei Grinev was originally published in Russian in *Voprosy istorii* (Questions of History), 3 (2009): pp. 48-65. The translation of the original article was done by Dr Richard Bland of the University of Oregon.

The notation 'A.G.' in the text refers to additional information added by the author.

The articles by Johan Jacobsen were also translated from their original German by Dr Bland. The originals were published as follows:


The notation 'J.A.J.' in the notes of these articles refers to an original note from Jacobsen. The notation 'Translator' refers to an added comment by Dr Bland.