

man has been indefatigable in his efforts for my recovery; he has rubbed and kneaded me; he has mustard-plastered and blistered me, until the whole of my left leg bears testimony to the constancy of his attentions. I was to have gone to Winnipeg in the coming summer, and then to have returned finally to England after my long service. At present I see no probability of my being able to take that journey, as, before arriving at the railroad, there is more than a fortnight's hard work up one large river, which is impeded by many rapids and falls, necessitating frequent porteraging, which is utterly beyond my present powers. I suppose I shall be obliged to return home by the annual ship, but I dread this much, as there is no accommodation on board, and especially for one in my condition. I know that every effort will be made, were I obliged to return home this way, to make me as comfortable as circumstances permit for I meet with nothing but the greatest kindness from everyone connected with the Hudson's Bay Company. I need not trouble myself much about this; I can trust all to the hand