

the Northern *Indians* eat it almost raw, and blame the others saying, they lessen their Strength by eating their Victuals so much dressed as they do. They have now by Trade from the Factories Brass Kettles in which they boil, otherwise they make use of Nockins, which are of Birch-Bark, take a square Piece, slash it at the four Corners some Way in, then there are four Sides which they can set up, and they sew together with a Rim, round the Top they put an Edge of Porcupine Quills, these they make of various Sizes, and are frequently to be seen in *England*. The Northern *Indians*, who are not provided with Kettles, put Water in these make Stones red-hot and put into this Water to heat it, and so dress their Meat: The other *Indians* also use them who are not better provided, setting them over the Fire, and they boil Water very well. They have round Platters made of Wood, which are the Knobs of Trees hollowed and smoothed, both Inside and out, with a Beaver's Tooth, they have Cups also, with Handles made out of Knobs of Trees; the Purpose of Spoons and Knives is answered by their Hands: They have no fixed Times of Eating, but are led by their Appetite. When they wanted to separate the Parts of a Deer, before they knew the *Europeans*, they used Instruments made of Bone, and sharp Stones, which they fastened with Thongs of Leather at the End of a cliff Stick.

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