

be procured on such easy terms ; because they cannot shine as hunters, or accumulate furs. And what do the more industrious gain by all their trouble ? Their real wants are easily supplied. A hatchet, an ice chissel, a file, and a knife are all that is required to enable them to procure a comfortable livelihood ; and those who aim at more, are always the most unhappy, and have the most numerous wants to supply.

Those who bring their furs to the factory, indeed, pride themselves much on the respect which is shewn them by the English ; to obtain which, they frequently run the risk of being starved in their way thither or back ; and all they can possibly procure for their year's labour, seldom amounts to more than is sufficient to yield a bare subsistence till the return of the season ; while such as are despised for their indolence or want of spirit, generally live in a state of plenty ; and consequently must be most happy and most independant also. He therefore is at once the greatest philosopher and the wisest man, who lives for him-

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