

Novemb. use of the Tops of small Pine Trees. \* This Beer was much preferable to the Water of thawed Ice, and it prevented the People's being Costive, which was a general Complaint of every Body during the Winter, and for this Reason the Factory Servants, when they go to reside Abroad at a Tent, take Molosses with them to mix with their Water: The further Business of the Boy, besides assisting in Brewing, is to light and keep up the Fire, bring in the Billets, fetch Ice, make the Beds, and assist in any other Way he could.

Just after Sun-set was the usual Time that the Hunters repaired Home, especially if successful, by which Time as many Billets were got into the Tent as would be necessary for the Night and Morning Fire; the Tent Door was made up, Dinner got, afterwards a good Fire which made the Tent impenetrable to all Cold; and, as every Man was allowed half a Pint of Brandy a Day

\* To brew this Beer, the Kettle being near full of Water, cram the Kettle with small Pine; from one Experiment you will judge the Quantity of Pine that will bear a Proportion to your Water, let the Tops of the Pine be boiled in the Water until the Pine turns yellow, and the Bark peels, or the Sprigs strip off readily on being pulled; then take off your Kettle, and the Pine out of the Water, and to about two Gallons of Liquor put a quarter of a Pint of Molosses; hang your Kettle on, giving the Liquor another Boil until a Scum arises; then take the Liquor off, put it into a Cask in which you have before put cold Water, the Quantity of about two Gallons, if it is a twelve Gallon Cask; when your Cask is full, then take a Gun with a small Quantity of Powder, and no Wad; fire into the Bung-hole, it will set the Liquor a working; in about twenty-four Hours stop the Cask down, and the Liquor will be ready to drink.

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