

chain'd down to any spot of earth ; nature has charms every where for a man willing to be pleas'd : at my time of life, the very change of place is amusing ; love of variety, and the natural restlessness of man, would give me a relish for this voyage, even if I did not expect, what I really do, to become lord of a principality which will put our large-acred men in England out of countenance. My subjects indeed at present will be only bears and elks, but in time I hope to see the *human face divine* multiplying around me ; and, in thus cultivating what is in the rudest state of nature, I shall taste one of the greatest of all pleasures, that of creation, and see order and beauty gradually rise from chaos.

The vessel is unmoor'd ; the winds are fair ; a gentle breeze agitates the bosom of the deep ; all nature smiles : I go with all the eager hopes of a warm imagination ;