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men settle upon, and how, at this time of potato-failure, they have husbanded their seed-potatoes, I may mention the returns obtained this year by several of these settlers on the forks of the Eel River, as I took them down from their own mouths. One of them planted 4 barrels, cut into small sets, and dug up 142 barrels; another planted 3 barrels and housed 60, besides eating of the crop all summer; a third planted $3\frac{1}{2}$, and took up 60, besides consuming, since the 1st of August, what were required by a family of six children three times a-day. These large crops are given by land on which the wood is cut in the fall, the trees burned in spring, the ashes spread, and the seed put in. The comparative greatness of the returns may be judged of by the fact that, in the highly farmed and highly manured land around Edinburgh, 4 bolls, or 16 cwt., are usually planted; and 6 to 8 tons (8 to 10 fold) are reckoned large crops to raise on the West coast. In Ireland 10 to 12 tons are frequent, but even this return is small compared to that of these necessity-compelled, thrifty New Brunswickers.

I went into the furthest log-hut upon the last clearing. It was warm and comfortable; and a good stove in it not only kept the inmates warm, but gave them the means of cooking. These cooking stoves are found very convenient in North America. Numerous varieties of them are exhibited at the larger agricultural shows, and some of them do their work with a great economy of fuel—an article which lavish expenditure in past years is beginning to make scarce and dear in many of the more densely-settled districts.

I found the wife and five clean healthy children in the hut. She was very content, and would not go home if she had an opportunity. It was foolishness which brought them away; and they are not so well off yet as when at home, but hoped in a short time to be better off, as I have no doubt industry would soon make them.