

Novemb. turned, scrape the Grease off them; this Greasing in Summer is a Defence in some Measure against the Musketoës, and is used at other Times for no other Reason as I could learn, but that it keeps their Joints pliant and supple; but on the other hand it makes them stinking and nasty; they having not found out the Way, as they refine upon nothing, to correct the Rankness of their Oils or Grease, by Essences and Perfumes, which more polite Nations have a long Time substituted in the room of them.

The Habitations of the *Indians* (which we call Cabbins or Tents) are sufficiently wretched; they are round; probably, as that is the most capacious Figure, and the easiest erected, with the Materials they make Use of; which are a Number of small Poles, that are set to lean one against the other, so as they meet a Top, and extended below; these are covered with dressed Deer Skins sewed together; but the Deer Skins do not go quite to the Top, so as to cover the upper Part, or to where the Poles meet; which Part is left open to vent the Smoak, and let in the Light. Their Fire is in the Middle. The Bottom of the Tent is strewed with Tops of Pine-Trees. They lay with their Feet to the Fire, and with their Heads to the Tent-Sides; and in the Tent they must either sit or lie down, for there is not Room for them to walk; nor do they ever walk about, as is the Manner with us. They are at all Times either lying down, or sitting, unless they are a
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