

beautifull and delightfull, both to the sight and smell. And questionlesse the Countrey is stored with many Physicall herbs and rootes, albeit their vertues are not knowne, because not sought after; yet within these few yeeres, many of our Nation finding theſelues ill, haue bruised ſome of the hearbs and ſtrained the iuyce into Beere, Wine or *Aqua-vita*; & by Gods aſſiſtance, after a few drinkings, it hath reſtored them to their former health. The like vertue it hath to cure a wound, or any ſwelling, either by waſhing the grieued places with ſome of the herbes boyled, or by applying them ſo thereunto (plaifter-wiſe) which I haue ſeene by often experience.

This beeing the naturall fruitfulneſſe of the earth, producing ſuch variety of things, fit for foode, without the labor of man; I might in reaſon hence inferre, that if the ſame were manured, and huſbanded in ſome places, as our grounds are, it would be apt to beare Corne, and no leſſe fertile thē the *English* ſoyle. But I need not confine my ſelfe to probabilities therein: ſeeing our men that haue wintred there diuers yeeres, did for a triall and experiment thereof ſow ſome ſmall quantity of Corne, which I ſaw growing very faire; and they found the increaſe to be great, and the graine very good; and it is well knowne to me, and diuers that trade there yeerely, how that Cabbage, Carrets, Turneps, Lettice, Parſley, and ſuch like, proue ſo well there as elſewhere.

Corne growing
there, yeelding
good increaſe.

Store of Deere
and other beaſts.

In diuers parts of the Countrey, there is great ſtore of Deere, and ſome Hares, many Foxes, Squirrels, Beuers, Wolues, and Beares, with other ſorts of beaſts, ſeruing as well for neceſſity, as for profit and delight. Neither let me ſeeme ridiculous, to annex a matter of nouelty, rather then waight, to this diſcourſe.

A rare example
of the gentle na-
ture of the
beaſts of that
Country.

In the yeere 1615. it was well knowne to 48. perſons of my company, and diuers other men, that three ſe-