

pletely prevent the cattle of the vicinity from doing in some degree at any rate, as, having so many other objects upon hand, I found it difficult to fence in so many marshes effectually.

Therefore it was that I kept the whole peninsula in the state of a waste, and intended to keep it in that state; until, having finished my own present farm, and also the farm at the sand-hills, I should find myself at liberty to attend to Johnson River.

My own farm and the sand-hills being tolerably arranged, I intended to erect a farm-house and farm-steading on the peninsula of Johnson River, and to place there an overseer, and a large stock of cattle for improving the uplands and marshes, and banking out the river as fast as I could proceed at my own ease: that is to say, to make such beginning of it, that my successor might go on upon the same, or some other such plan, as he might see fit, which, if rational, could not differ far from mine.

I cannot with justness pretend to say the number of acres in the peninsula, for the reasons already given; and, as I could give but a very loose conjecture, I think all the general idea that is requisite here, may be deduced with a greater chance of precision from applying the scale to the copy of the plan.