

clothing is very expensive ; and wages are about five shillings per day. It is a good place for ship carpenters, who get from eight to ten shillings per day currency : ten shillings currency is equal to eight shillings British. I left Saint Johns for Saint Andrews, which is distant about sixty-seven miles, to get ship for the southern states, and started on the twentieth, when it was cold but good travelling. Sometimes I travelled for six or seven miles through the woods without seeing a house, and I had sometimes to pay fifteen-pence for a meal. Almost all the land that is not cultivated is swampy, barren, or rocky ; and owing to the coldness of the climate, much of the good land has to be laid down with grass to provide a sufficient quantity of hay to keep the cattle during the winter. Eight or ten acres of grain upon one farm is thought a great thing.

On the twenty-fifth I reached Saint Andrews, where I spent my Christmas. As I could not get a passage to the southern states, I left Saint Andrews for Saint Stevens, abouty thirty miles off, which I reached on the twenty-ninth, and went to Calais in the state of Maine out of the British territories ; I then went to east and west Machias, sixty miles off, which I reached on new-year's day, and then to Cherryfield, and took the stage to Elsworth. From thence I proceeded to Castine. On my way to the latter place I put up for the night at a house about three miles out of Elsworth. The people of the house asked me some questions concerning where I was going to settle, for I had been travelling for three years, and without being able to find a place fit to stay in. My host asked me to stay