

my hunger was, that my English stomach, having been accustomed to beef and ale, disdained to be satisfied with tea and fish in whatever quantity supplied, especially with an appetite sharpened by keen air and exercise. However that may be, I attacked the first house I came to, where we luckily got a quart of milk, which, with some bread and butter, carried us to Torbay. Here we put up at a larger house than common, where I got a little salt mutton, and a decent bed and bedroom with a parlour attached, signs, I suppose, of our approach to the capital. I had nearly given up smoking, but this evening felt a sudden desire for tobacco. I accordingly procured an old pipe and some strong negro-head tobacco, and certainly found by its use a great relief from the fatigue and over-excitement of travelling, and took care afterwards never to be without it, especially where there was a probability of short commons. I paid here a dollar and a half for our supper and bed, and returned the next morning to St. John's to breakfast.

May 23rd.—About three in the afternoon I set out for Petty Harbour, intending to visit a place about five miles beyond it where