

it would not be worth the Indians while to carry them back; and because they greatly wanted European goods. But these Indians would seek another market against the next time, if they could; and would bring no more goods to the company, than absolute necessity obliged them.

But, 2dly, it was alledged, that if more goods were given to the Indians in exchange, they would not bring more beavers; because they are an idle, lazy race of people; and, having no artificial wants to gratify, have no ambition to spur them on to take more pains,—it is true, they have not such artificial wants as we have; they do not want sumptuous houses and gardens, rich furniture, or coaches and chairs—but they want beads, bells, little looking-glasses, rings, and such trinkets; (besides many artifices of their cloathing, bedding, hunting, fishing, and fowling) and are as impatient to be gratified in these respects, as we can be in ours. In these things, therefore, they are as covetous and ambitious as the rest of mankind, —take as much pains to acquire them,—and repine and murmur at the factories, when they have not as much for their commodities as they think they deserve. Bo

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