

until he had enclosed some thirty acres, and his garden had a shelter against the relentless north-west winds. He drew water from the river for his seedlings, and filled gap after gap in his groves until he had double and triple rows of thriving trees. North of the house he planted belts of fine firs. The labor expended on these thousands of trees, planting them and tending them to maturity, must have been enormous. But a home he must