

The fat of the interior, having been cut up and melted on large cauldrons of sheet iron, is poured out on the powdered meat which is stirred up with paddles until all the mixture is well saturated; then this mixture is placed in skin sacks from which they have not even taken the trouble to remove the hair. The sacks so filled are called TAUREAUX or PIMIKEHIGAN. If the fat that has been used is that of the udder they are called TAUREAUX A GRAINES. Their epicures esteem the first kind good, the second better and the third very good. In order to give an idea of the shrinkage of these meats it is sufficient to observe that only half a sack and three quarters of a bundle of meat are gotten from one cow, so that the most economical calculate that ~~that~~ eight or ten cows are needed to form a load.

To prepare the skins for clothing, after having stretched them on frames, they are scraped on the inner side with a fetootes bone and on the outside with a small sharp-edged scraper, suitable for removing hair. This is the work of the

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women. The men break up the bones which they boil in water to extract from them the marrow which is used for frying. This fat is preserved in the bladders of the animals. The bones of two cows are needed to get enough fat to fill one bladder which contains twelve pounds.

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His master having several horses, left this one, his favorite, to let it rest and on starting off he directed his wife to tie it

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up; this she did not do. Noticing that they were starting off without him, the noble ~~man~~ animal galloped after us, joined us at the moment of the charge and plunged into the midst of the confusion as if it had been lashed forward by its owner; then following the cow in all her twists and turns, it seemed to be waiting for her to fall. ~~mark~~ The charge ended, the horse came back whinnying after its master whom it knew very well how to find, although the hunters had scattered here and there over an extent of several miles. When the camps are changed the teepees are found in positions so different that a man sometimes searches a long time before finding his own lodge; but the horse, although it has been set free at some distance, comes back at fixed hour. Without making any detours it goes straight at the door with its hoof, demands imperiously the reward of the day, its measure of barley.

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Having started in pursuit of a numerous band of cows, they were at the very height of the ardor and speed when they arrived, pell-mell with these animals, on the top of a bluff, strewn with rocks, where cows, horses and horsemen were overturned and rolled about in such confusion that one can hardly see how any of them escaped being killed on the spot, either dashed against the stones or crushed by those who were following. One man, only lost consciousness but soon regained his senses; two horses got up limping and a few cows had their legs broken. The unhorsed riders picked themselves up, uttering cries of joy to reassure their comrades and started again in pursuit, cracking their whips, in order thus better to make up the lost time; for as may be imagined, the cows had not been waiting for them to follow,