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got - in addition to the very large garden I made when  
I had cleared away the brush &c I made a small  
garden before the door, in which I planted various kinds  
of Melons green Com Peas - Cabbages Beans &c &c  
A every thing I planted appeared to thrive in beautiful  
order in addition to this I worked at my trade & obtained  
a great amount of employment in that way  
one fine morning in the Spring as I was engaged  
in work an Indian of great stature & well armed  
rode up & asked me if I knew who wanted to an horse  
& as I knew a person who very much wanted  
one - at the same time I answered if he did  
not want to much for him I might become a  
purchaser - I then asked his price he said 30 Dollars  
this might not have been to much for the Poney as  
he was sound mind & limb & 3 Years old but as  
I had to sell him again I obtain a little profit by  
the bargain I of course endeavoured to purchase  
him as cheap as I could

the Indian was very little acquainted with the English  
language consequently there was some difficulty  
in bringing the bargain to a conclusion  
we got down to 26 Dollars then to 24 & at length  
to 22 & after a considerable time had passed  
in trying to make out his broken language he  
came down to 20 Dollars & ultimately to 18