he said it was dangerous, for we might get down to the very frequent indulgence in a swim; himself occasionally frowning on the party. His course continued for a time, but his subjects grew tired of restraint; frequent opportunities were seized when, unknown to his majesty, and unluckily according to his forebodings, one half were plunged into a hole that was quite over his head, and being unable to swim aground, preceeded his thirst rather too liberally before reaching the bank. A different system, however, was immediately adopted, and the decree was that no school on my instance whatever be permitted to go in the creek before school, time of books, at play time, or after dismissal. The old recollection of land friends, misfortunes, and nature will survive, and its appetites must be indulged. We soon forgot the solemn scene, and went without the almost tactual, again commenced and ceased of swimming. It were an endless task to attempt an enumeration of all the various schemes resorted to, to blind his demands and avoid detection. Suffice it to say we would sometimes ask permission to go squirrel hunting, sometimes to visit a near neighbour, and very frequently when engaged in play, would become quieted well, and run beyond all reasonable bounds. But by the way we always took care to run in considerable numbers, and however different might be our directions at the start, we would generally meet at the same spot in the end. As notwithstanding all and precautions, his majesty began to grow suspicious; and what seemed to increase his suspicion was, he saw and off return from a visit with his head met; this led to the immediate question. They were coming, said my reply. I came from the oblique whence I, which was not the matter. He immediately set off down the creek, and had not met my companions coming their heads, and discovered and, tracks in the very edge of the waters were.