

ted for the purpose of attaining that condition of things which may be thought more desirable than what a township, consisting of small proprietors only, will present. Settlements have been made in Canada with considerable advantage by military and naval half-pay officers ; and a certain number of allotments may be given in the proposed townships to the same description of men, a few thousand acres being added for them to the quantity above specified. *A portion of their half-pay may be commuted for a fixed sum of money to provide capital for them.* Half-pay medical officers might by the same means be induced to live in the new country. It might, at all events, be proper to commission to the colonies of emigrants, a certain number of surgeons, according to the proportion usual in the army and navy. This would be wanted for a very limited period, as the ordinary demand would speedily supply the settlements with competitors for every place in society.

Thus, what may be considered a due dis-