

upon the marsh, with wheat, which produced, the first year it was plowed, eighty bushels, though it stood rather too long, and a great deal of it was shaken, which he plowed in again, and had a pretty good crop the year following. He has built a malt kiln, with an intention to set up a common brewhouse, so that they expect to have good ale in Nova Scotia. They value their marsh land that is diked in, and their best cleared upland, at three pounds an acre; their undiked marshes at one pound, and their wood land at sixpence. In this town is a Protestant church, a Presbyterian meeting-house, and two school houses.

We next came to Wilmet, a new-settled place, twenty-two miles from Cornwallis. Here is a large track of wood land, not so good as in some places, and abundance of brooks and small rivers, very suitable for fixing water mills. About sixty years ago, in a very dry season, the wood ground in this township was by some means set on fire, which spread itself almost through the whole of it, and has done so much damage to the soil, that it seems to be of very little value. A hurricane almost immediately succeeded this conflagration, which threw down an immense number of trees, the roots of which had been bared by the fire, so that they lay at this time in heaps, something resembling a timber yard. Here is part good interval land, not much inferior to the marsh, when properly cultivated. What they call interval land, lays by the brooks, which, in the spring of the year, at the melting of the snow, is frequently overflowed, which greatly enriches the ground. The upland about this town is mostly pretty good, and clear of rocks, and they have good clay for bricks. Here is a large track of ground, called Mouse Plains, but very barren and swampy, which