some of which are very tastefully ornamented

with porcupine quills.

"The Indians of Nova Scotia, called Micmac, are harmless unless provoked, and their honesty is proverbial. They are of the middle stature, faces broad, aquiline nose, coarse black hair, and complexion nearly of a copper colour. Their covering is a blue frock or coat, with a girdle tied round the waist, with trowsers of the same for the men; and a blanket with a blue cloth petticoat, and a cap resembling a sugar-loaf, ornamented with beads, generally compose the dress of the women."

"The men are by no means so dissipated in their habits, as some prejudiced or uninformed authors have represented them; and while it must be admitted, that there are many confirmed drunkards in the neighbourhood of Halifax, yet it is also certain, that there still exists a considerable proportion of sober, intelligent characters, in various parts of the country, who are by no means averse to agricultural pursuits; as has been recently

proved by actual experiment."

"The best means of affording them a regular subsistence, is to give them employment; and for this desirable purpose a plan has been in operation during the last five years, which has so far succeeded as to prove, by actual experiment, that the majority of the Indians are by no means averse to agricultural pursuits, or the habits of civilized life. Nothing therefore is wanting but pecuniary aid."