

pests of society. But I must ask your pardon for this digression. Being seated at my own fireside while penning this, I almost forgot that I was writing about emigration, and a foreign country. I would say further, that if government were to employ some of their idle ships and sailors in transporting those that might offer themselves as emigrants, free of expense, to any of the British colonies, I apprehend it would have the most salutary effect in relieving the public of great numbers who might do much better abroad than they possibly can at home; but unless assisted, they must remain as a burthen, both to themselves and others. And in the last place, that all due encouragement should be given to those colonies connected with Great Britain, in the way of a reciprocal trade and intercourse, in order to promote their comfort, and secure their best affections, that they may continue faithful and devoted subjects of the mother country.

I am, Sir, &c.

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Reverend and Dear Sir,

I could not crowd in, in my last communication, all the things proper yet to be noticed concerning the Island, and also the various articles requisite for accommodating the new settler there.— You will observe I have not yet taken that notice of the fish, animals, and fowls, so as to satisfy the inquisitive reader. One of my reasons for delaying a particular description of each of these was, my fear that I might not have room for inserting what I considered more useful matter. But learning from the Printer that there will yet be room for another Letter, within the bounds fixed upon for the size of the book, I shall continue to write, for I have