

Irish peasant, is an attachment to aristocratical association, a clan-ship, or feudal attachment to the landlord's family.

A portion of property mortgaged for more than it can discharge, would not be a profitable inheritance to a younger son, and is actually a source of loss to the head of the family ; but, if by the transfer of such property to the Company—an equivalent of land can be obtained in the new world—both the family and the Company gain by the exchange, and the son might make his fortune by what would otherwise have been a worthless gift.

Neither will it be doubted that such property in Ireland may be valuable to a Company who have money upon easier terms than the former possessor, and which Company would entirely expunge the principal source of loss by enabling the surplus population to emigrate.

In an extended and highly artificial state of society, of which exclusiveness is the great characteristic, in which every thing must be done by rule, and every one must submit to the tyranny of fashion, the tendency of these influences to cramp, depress, and formalise is so great, that numbers who are full of spirit and energy, must desire more freedom for action, and for the expansion of their best energies in the application of them to some useful and honourable end.

What can be more noble than for a young man, with such feelings as these, to assume the command,