

hay, will take up their attention so closely while the good weather continues, that it must of course make the great point of clearing of the Island go on but slow.

REASONS FOR FIXING THE THREE PRINCIPAL TOWNS (AS PROPOSED,) ON WHAT FOUNDED.

The capital, called Charlottetown, is proposed to be upon a point of the harbor, betwixt York and Hillsborough Rivers, as being one of the best, and nearly a central part of the Island ; has the advantages of an immediate and easy communication with the interior parts of the Island, by means of the three fine rivers of Hillsborough, York, and Elliot. The ground designed for the town and fortifications is well situated upon a regular ascent from the water side ; a fine rivulet will run through the town ; a battery or two, some distance advanced, will entirely command the harbor ; an enemy attempting to attack the town cannot do it without great difficulties, viz : having passed the batteries at the entrance of the harbor, they must attempt a passage up Hillsborough or York Rivers, the channels of both which are intricate, and the entrance of the respective channels will be so near the town that it must also be attended with the greatest hazard. Should they land any troops on either side of the Bay of Hillsborough, they must still have the river of the same name on the East, or Elliot and York Rivers on the West, to pass, before they could effect anything of consequence. As this side of the Island cannot have any fishery, it may probably be thought expedient to indulge it with some particular privileges ; and as all judicial and civil, as well as good part of the commercial business will be transacted here, it will make it at least equally flourishing with the County Towns.

GEORGETOWN.

Recommended to be built upon that point of land called Cardigan Point, there being a good harbour for ships of