

of food and dress which ruin many a family at home, and unfit them for emigrating; and the darkness of the prospect before this family at home had prepared them for meeting with difficulties abroad. And being inured to the most laborious exertions of manual labour in the old country, they find that a little perseverance in the same way in that new world, will immediately procure for them every needful present comfort, and secure, to a certain extent, future independence. I met with a Mr Donald M'Donald, at Three Rivers, who had been formerly at the Island several years; he had then taken a farm, where he had made a good clearance, but he was advised by his brother, in Scotland, to sell it and return home again. Yet when he found the difficulties he had to meet with himself in the old country, as well as the dark prospect presented to his family, he set out a second time to the Island, took a new farm, and is going on most perseveringly in clearing it. Now here is a man that had tried both countries, and who gave the preference to the Island, after all the difficulties and deficiencies that attend it. I shall only add further upon this subject, that I found some settlers who told me that when they first saw the Island, that if it had been all their own, they would have given it all in compliment to have been home again, but who declared they were now glad they were there, since they were sure they were in more comfortable circumstances than there was any likelihood they could have been in at home, considering the nature of the times.

But if it be a fact, which I have every reason to believe it is, that our country is rapidly increasing in population, some must emigrate, or fare the worse at home. I think it might be a very advisable plan for such as are unfit or unwilling to go themselves, to give assistance to such as are well fitted for and willing to go, but who are not in possession of the requisite supplies for such a project. Were farmers to assist farmers, tradesmen, tradesmen, and labourers,