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CHAPTER I.

Those best suited for Canadian settlers—Modes of conveyance—
“Ten reasons for emigrating to Canada”—Difficulties of new
settlers much mitigated in the present day—Varieties of
characters and of creeds in the backwoods.

WHAT class of intending emigrants is best suited for Canada, both with regard to their own advantage, and the benefit of their adopted country? It may seem almost superfluous to affirm that the indolent, and those wanting in physical activity and strength, have no business here; but the energetic and the temperate man can always obtain a living in this region, and need seldom fail of attaining an independence. Of many that do come out, it may be said that they are quite unfitted for settlers, and only do injury to themselves and those around them. I will just instance, by way of example, the case of government clerks, accustomed to a sedentary life in town. Many of these unwisely throw up their situations at home, and transport themselves hither