

Among the various Methods that have been at any time thought of, for enlarging this great Source of Power and Opulence, the settling of new Colonies has in the general always been marked out as one of the principal and most desirable. But then it must likewise be acknowledged, that such an Undertaking is no trifling matter. On the contrary, no sooner do we turn our Thoughts upon this Subject, but several Articles of prime Moment present themselves in View.

First of all, it is apparent, that any Enterprize of this Nature will necessarily be attended with great Expence ; large Sums must be advanced before it can even be entered upon, much more before the Design be in any tolerable Degree compleated. Here the Question will occur, What Returns may be expected ? What Advantages are there in Prospect to balance the Risque.

In the next Place, the new Settlers cannot be insensible, that they will have many Difficulties to struggle with, a great deal of Labour and Pains to be undergone, for some Years after their first Entrance upon uncultivated Lands. These, therefore, will naturally want to be satisfied what hopes there are of being compensated for all their Toil and Trouble.

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