

a great deal, to political causes; and people very commonly wear dirks and other secret weapons to protect themselves from personal violence, and sometimes, I fear, to inflict it upon the unwary; and instances are not wanting of atrocious murders and robberies going unpunished, from the political influence of the offender.

I do not wish, by any means, to be understood as insinuating that such is the state of American society generally;—far from it. I know that the very instances which I could name are held up to public execration with as much abhorrence in New York and all the older parts of the country, as they would be in London. I mean merely to put Englishmen upon their guard, that they may not go to these countries in preference to our own colonies, under an idea of finding all that impartiality and excellence which some men imagine must exist in communities where people govern themselves.

The great inducements for people to emigrate to Upper Canada, are—the cheapness of