

for others to stay, who would otherwise have been under the necessity of emigrating.

The force of this principle is illustrated by the feelings of the country people themselves on the subject; by the anxiety they frequently show that others should emigrate, though they have no such intention themselves; merely that they may have a chance of procuring the possession of lands which would not otherwise be attainable. It has been known in more than one instance, that an individual, who felt that his example would have some weight, has even pretended to join in a project of emigration, and made every demonstration of zeal for the undertaking, till his neighbours have been fully committed; and has then deserted them, as soon as he could see any vacant farm, that he could have a chance of procuring.

But if peculiar advantages are to be given, to encourage a party of emigrants to settle in a new situation; is it to be supposed that these must all be people who would not otherwise