

he had employed his time on the most barren and unfavourable spot he had met with.

Those whose interests have been intrusted to the care of their superiors, have not always fared much better in this respect. A gentleman, who had accompanied a party of emigrants to Cape Breton in 1802, informed me, that, on their arrival, a situation was pointed out to them where they might have grants of land. Comparing it with that they had left, they were delighted, and were inclined to settle immediately. Another place, however, was shown to them, and they were allowed to choose. This situation was still more agreeable to them; but, before they could make their determination, they heard of another that was yet finer, and proceeded to view it. Here, again, they found that they were at no great distance from some relations, who had formerly settled in Nova Scotia. Having found every new situation better than the former; and, concluding that their friends must have chosen the best of all, they determined to join them. They proceeded therefore, with their