

be found printed in the appendix to this letter, points to two particulars, in which our system of judicature, is radically defective. In the one particular, we have plainly departed from the spirit of English practice. For, in that country the due administration of the law, by all courts, is carefully secured by the right of appeal, which pervades their whole system; while we, by a strange oversight, have neglected to provide any appellate tribunal within the Province, before which, the validity of the judgments of our Court of Queen's Bench could be tested. And this state of things, for the continuance of which during so long a period, I am unable, considering the love of liberty so generally prevalent amongst us, satisfactorily to account; has led to the startling result, that the whole body of law, civil, as well as criminal, is at present administered by that court without controul. Its decrees are, for all practical purposes, absolute. In the other particular, we have indeed followed the letter of English practice, in establishing a Court of Equity presided over by a single judge; but in doing so, we have been altogether unmindful of our social condition, and thus our literal adoption of the English institution, has, I very humbly think, betrayed us into serious error. It need hardly be stated, that the reform of these abuses