

	<i>Gallons.</i>
Average consumption of the years 1806, 1807, 1808, 1809, and 1810, the com- petition being at an end. .	9,700
Consumption of 1803, as above.	21,299
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Decrease since the union of the contending parties . .	11,599
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The disorders incident to competitions in the trade, that is, to departures from the principle upon which the Company was established, are manifest from the history of the Indian territory during the years 1802, 3, and 4, in which period they became the object of a parliamentary proceeding.* So numerous were the acts of violence then committed, (the recurrence of which is only prevented by the existence of the present Company,) that in compliance with a petition from Canada the Legislature of Great Britain was induced to pass an act, by which the whole of the Indian Territory was placed under the jurisdiction of the Courts of Justice in Upper and Lower Canada; in order that

* 43 Geo. III, c. 138. A.D. 1803.