

in general, of a litigious disposition ; The many formalities in their procedures and the multiplicity of Instruments to be drawn up upon every occasion, seems to encourage this disposition. — A short and well digested Code, by laying aside many of these, may in a great measure serve to correct it.

6th. Fixing the age of majority as in other parts of his Majesty's dominions, is an innovation that could not fail of being agreeable to the youth, as the freedom of building where they see convenient, and upon such extent of ground, as they think proper, would be acceptable to all people in general and promote new establishments, especially the Fisheries in the lower parts of the River and Gulph of S^t Laurence.

REVENUES AND EXPENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT UNDER THE FRENCH ADMINISTRATION.

Tho' I should properly give a state of the Revenues and expense of the Government of Quebec only, yet the whole under the French administration was so blended together it does not appear practicable to separate the same, and have therefore collected here all that has come to my knowledge on this head, without distinction of Governments.

1st—Five ports, (a) part of the King's domaine which were under the immediate management of the director

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