

should be perfectly informed whether he does not receive part of his salary from home for doing that duty.—My opinion, I must acknowledge, was decidedly in favour of the conclusion, that he does, as his designation in the civil establishment of the Province, printed in the Journals of the House of Commons is, "Secretary Register and Clerk of the Council," with a salary of £ 250 sterling, independent of his fees and perquisites of office.

In regard to the qualifications of Representatives, Gentlemen, I shall say but little.—I cannot help observing however, that I think you ought to consider Independence, particularly on the Government of the Province as the first, and to be extremely careful not to choose any person, who holds offices under it, that may tend to subject him to influence from the other two branches of the Legislature.—For offices like gifts have a tendency to corrupt the heart. Our colonial constitution is unfortunately in several respects widely different from that of the mother country.—True it is, that our Legislature consists of three distinct branches, like that of Great-Britain.—The two Legislatures are however essentially different.—The House of Lords or second Branch at home, is a dignified, opulent and independent body.—The Peers hold their seats by writ, patent or inheritance, and no authority in the State short of an Act of the British Legislature can remove them from them.—But the members composing the Council or second branch here hold their seats not hereditarily, not even during good behaviour, but during the pleasure of His Majesty's servants and Ministers, and are removable