

It appears by the vouchers that the amount paid for labour is 206*l.* : 14 : 1, instead of 205*l.* : 4 : 3, the amount of labour charged, after deducting the 10*l.* for Ox hire; there is therefore an error in his favour of 1*l.* : 9 : 10; the rate of labour per day is about 2*s.* : 10½*d.*, and the rate per day for provisions to the men after deducting the amount of tools, &c., included in the charge of 241*l.* : 9 : 4, is about 2*s.* : 1½*d.*, per diem, for each working day.—In the charge for Commission there also appears to be an error in his favour of 4*l.* : 5 : 7, as the sum expended appears to have been 602*l.* : 11 : 1, instead of 599*l.* : 13 : 7. The account is accompanied with the necessary vouchers, with the exception of 75*l.* for M'Laggan, and two or three small items.—The want of a voucher for M'Laggan's account may be accounted for from the circumstance of only 200*l.* out of the grant of 600*l.* being yet received.

Your Committee are of opinion that this account is also correct, with the two exceptions in his favour.

The Report being again read, was ordered to be accepted.

And further ordered, that the Report of the Standing Committee be annexed to the Report and Audit of the Provincial Auditor on those accounts.

Mr. M'Kay, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency, the Lieutenant-Governor, to know when he would be pleased to receive the House with their Address to His Excellency, on his approaching departure from the Province,—Reported, that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would communicate to the House by Message.

Mr. Partelow, from the Committee to whom was referred the accounts formerly rendered by Colin Campbell, Esq., Supervisor of the Great Road from Fredericton to St. Andrews, agreeably to an order of the House of the 7th ultimo,—Reported, that they had attended to that duty, and submitted the following :—

By a Resolution on the Journals, dated the 9th March, 1822, the Petitioner was authorized to explore the land between Fredericton and the Blockhouse, on the Oromocto, in order to ascertain the shortest and best route on that part of the road, between the Seat of Government and St. Andrews, the expenses of which were to be paid him by the Province. The service was performed upon very reasonable terms, and the amount, 17*l.* : 9, was charged to the Province in an account rendered March, 1824, but the Committee on public and private accounts of the Legislature at that Session, disallowed it, as well as a charge of Commission of £9 : 3 : 9, and 2*l.* : 13 : 6, for printing.

In March, 1827, without any reference to previous matters, the Auditor reported that Mr. Campbell was due the Province 50*l.* and in consequence that sum was deducted by the Committee from an account rendered by Mr. Campbell at that time for building Bridges. A rigid investigation has been made by your Committee into these accounts, and they find that the Commission deducted as an overcharge, is not correct; that they cannot find any good reason influenced the Committee in striking off the charge for exploration, and conclude they were not aware it was made by the authority of the House; and that the sum of 50*l.* has been accounted for by Mr. Campbell in a previous account with the Province.

Your Committee are therefore unanimously of opinion, that the sum of £76 : 12 : 9 is justly due Colin Campbell, Esquire, on these accounts, and respectfully recommend that provision be made in the Committee of Supply therefor.

J. R. PARTELOW,  
THOMAS WYER,  
THOMAS O. MILLS."

The Report being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read, and ordered to be accepted.

And on motion of Mr. Partelow—Ordered, that the Report be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. Chandler—The House went into Committee of the whole, in further consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. Partelow in the Chair of the Committee.

The Chairman reported, that they had passed two Resolutions, which he read, and they being again read, at the Clerk's Table, are as follow :—

Resolved, that there be granted to Colin Campbell, Esq., £76 : 12 : 9, that amount  
Cc having