

déliberation which the ends of justice so imperatively demand ; and still less fitted to inspire the minds of suitors with that confidence, in the wisdom and integrity of legal decision, the maintenance of which is of such paramount importance.

Your Petitioners are aware that some of these evils are incident to the infant state of the Province ; but they very respectfully submit, that the alteration, which they take the liberty to suggest, would obviate those of them which are felt to be most pressing.

Your Petitioners would propose that two Superior Courts of Common Law Jurisdiction should be erected, in lieu of the one which now exists, in each of which three judges should preside ; and that the Court of Chancery should also be presided over by three judges. This simple alteration would be attended with but little expense to the public. It would, indeed, in our estimation, result in a saving to the public, regard being had to the extent of litigation which would be thereby avoided. Possibly your Honourable House will be enabled, to combine these advantages with such other alteration, as may render the plan on the whole, effectuate a retrenchment.

The effect of this alteration, in the estimation of your Petitioners, would prove beneficial to all classes of suitors. They would thus have a choice of Common Law Courts in which to institute proceedings, and in a Court of Equity would not be compelled, to rest upon the opinion of a single Judge. The primary decision would then in each case be rendered more satisfactory to the suitors ; whilst, by the combination of all the Judges, your Honourable House would be enabled to constitute a Court of Appeal so efficient and unexpensive, as could not fail to produce the most valuable result. Though we have respectfully suggested to your Honourable House a remedy for the evils of which we have complained, yet we do not wish it