

small voice of persuasion. He and those gentlemen had laboured together from the period of their youth, and could well estimate the improvement of this province. Its inhabitants are not aware of the rapid growth of its resources, and of the importance of its rising agriculture. When he first came to this country, there was a want of all the necessities and comforts of life, inasmuch as the soil was incapable of supplying them; and both butter and pork required for ordinary consumption were drawn from Ireland. Our market then exhibited none of that fulness which we have lately witnessed. All sorts of farm produce were exceedingly rare; and native pork, beef, and poultry were not procurable for money. Within the last four years a more vigorous and fresher impulse had been communicated to the peasantry, and this good effect must be attributed in a great measure to the writings of the secretary. There can be no doubt of the fact that this country is looking up and improving in industry and wealth. The necessity of the times has been referred to by some as the cause of this alteration; but he was of a different opinion and ascribed not the whole but a great deal of it to the influence of this society. He should be extremely vexed to see any thing like a diminution of our exertions and as we had succeeded so well already, let us prosecute the same system of measures by which our ultimate and great ends may be accomplished.

Let us not, therefore, touch the report. It has been carefully prepared, and has come from good hands. If some material objects have been left out from the want of funds, let more money be applied for, and he would say, that money ought to be granted. He had always been a friend to economy; and yet he would not hesitate to declare that £1000 was certainly not the utmost we could afford from the provincial chest. Let the present scale remain unaltered and undisturbed, as it has been framed by the committee; and let further aid be solicited from the legislature.

W. H. O. HALLIBURTON, Esq. was sorry to observe that flax, pease, and other matter of great interest were left out in the plan, because the funds had been limited by the legislature according to the report of the chairman of the committee. Under those circumstances a larger sum would be most acceptable to the society; but for himself he had little or no hopes of a further grant. The £1000 already voted ought, therefore, to meet as many objects as possible; and economy should be exercised on all those parts of the scheme