- " meeting of the Legislature until the state of our temporary
- " laws rendered it necessary and the season of the year lessened
- " the difficulty of your attendance on your public duty.

"Gentlemen of the Assembly,

"The Impost law will require your attention, not only for

" a renewal, but for the introduction of such alterations as may

" be found requisite to give it greater effect. The expences

" attending the exploring and furveying of the road from Gro-

" moeto to Saint John, have been paid, and the remainder of " the monies appropriated by vote of your house, for those fer-

" vices, has been applied to the exploring of the road from Fre-

" deriction to Saint Andrews, as will appear by the accounts of

" the Commissioners, to be laid before you.

"Gentlemen of the Council, and

" Gentlemen of the Assembly,

"The prospect of a happy continuation of public tranquili-"ty, and the flourishing state of the Province, leave me little to

" recommend for your confideration. Our people are industri-

" oully occupied in making permanent establishments, and the

" few criminal cases in so extensive a settlement, are a proof,

" not only of their improving manners, but of the fuccess at-

"tending their honest exertions."

Address ordered.

Upon a motion made and seconded.—Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an address in answer to his Excellency's speech.

Mr. Hardy, Mr. William Pagan, Major Murray, Mr. Camp-Committee appointed. bell and Mr. M'George, are appointed for that purpose.

Upon a motion made and feconded,—

Speech taken into con-fideration.

Resolved to consider of his Excellency's speech in a Committee of the whole house.

House in Committee.

The Speaker left the chair and the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

The Attorney-General in the chair.

The Speaker refumed the chair, and the chairman reported Report of the Come that the committee were of opinion that a committee should be appointed to bring in a bill for continuing and amending an act of the last session, intitled, "an act for laying an Impost." Also

that