riod, and also that although this was brought forward from year to year, and those persons complained of as defaulters, no proceeding within our knowledge has been had against them for the recovery of so large a sum which should be settled. The Committee would suggest that some steps should be resorted to, to have these arrearages paid, as well as to compel other Accountants in this Province to be more regular in paying over public money into the hands of the Receiver General.

Your Committee have observed that Christopher A. Hagerman, Esq. in the Public Accounts, sent down to this House at its last Session, was a defaulter as a Collector at the Port of Kingston, but that item not appearing in the Public Accounts of this year, the Chairman addressed a letter to the Inspector General, asking information on the subject, whose answer in reply is as follows:

Inspector General's Office, 11th April, 1833.

SIR.

I have the honor to state for the information of the Finance Committee that Mr. Hagerman has a claim upon the Council which has long been pending with the King's Government, for his portion of a seizure, as he contends, legally made while he was Collector of the Customs at Kingston, but relinquished to the parties by order of Sir Peregrine Maitland, in con-