By the COMMITTEE appointed to enquire into the facts contained in the petition of Henry Hollingsworth and Ebenezer Booth, and report thereon.

YOUR committee, having enquired into the facts fet forth in the said petition, beg leave to report, that they find by a certificate of the auditor-general, that the first cont act mentioned in the said petition is fully complied with and settled; that your committee cannot discover any writing containing any second contract, nor any evidence of the precise terms of it, but from all circumstances have no doubt but that a second agreement was made, and that the price was in some degree left to be settled by the convention.

Your committee beg leave also to refer to the account hereto annexed, on which there appears a balance due of £. 126 15 9, which contains, as is satisfactorily evidenced to your committee, the whole receipts of the money advanced, and the deliveries of barrels, &c. in consequence of the second contract.

Your committee also report, that the account hereto annexed, on which there appears due £. 171 6, is true, and the articles charged at prices not exceeding their then value.

All which is submitted to the confideration of the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read.

On the second reading of the report of the committee on the defence of the bay, &c. the first and second resolutions therein were concurred with.

The question was then put, That the house concur with the third resolution in the said report? The year and nays being called for by Mr. Norris appeared as follow:

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| Mills, Plowden, Key, Wilmer,                 | Hall,<br>Caufin,<br>Hanfon,<br>Stone,                  | Craufard,<br>Magruder,<br>Clagett,<br>Chaie, | Quynn,<br>Dennis,<br>Morris, | Dashiell, Cramphin, Alexander, Bayly, M'Mechen, Hungerford. |
|  |  | N E G A                                      | T I V E.                     |   |
| W. Stevenson, Worthington, E. Johnson, Deye, | J. Stevenson,<br>Hammond,<br>Hindman,<br>Chamberlaine, | Lawson,<br>Job,<br>Kent,                     | Wright,<br>Earle,<br>Potts,  | T. Johnson, Norris, Taylor, Driver, M'Comas, Oneale.        |

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The house adjourns till half after 3 o'clock.

## POST MERIDIEM.

The house met, and proceeded on the report of the committee appointed to devise a proper and effectual mode to defend our rivers, &c. and the fourth resolution being read, the question was put, That the house concur therewith? The year and nays being called for by Mr. Chase, appeared as follow:

| E Mills,<br>Plowden,<br>Key,<br>Wilmer,       | Maccubbin,<br>Brogden,<br>Causin,       | Hanson, Crauturd, Magruder,  | Clagett,<br>Chate,<br>Dennis, | Morris,<br>Dashiell,<br>M'Mechen, | Cramphin,<br>Baylý,<br>Hungerford. |
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|   |   | N E G A                      | T I V E.                      |                                   | e .                                |
| W. Stevenson, E. Johnson, Deye, I. Stevenson, | Hammond,<br>Hindman,<br>Lawfon,<br>Job, | Duckett,<br>Kent,<br>Wright, | Earle, Potts, T. Johnson,     | Taylor,<br>Giles,<br>M:Comas,     | Norris,<br>Driver,<br>Oneale.      |

So it was determined in the negative.

The fifth and fixth resolutions in the said report were severally read and agreed to.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the defence of the bay. ORDERED, That Mr. Dashiell, Mr. Stone, Mr. McMechen, Mr. Morris, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Key, Mr. Kent, and Mr. Chase, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

Mr. McMechen, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to continue the act, entitled, An act for the regulation of officers fees, and for other purposes; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That Mr. Brogden be added to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.
The house adjourns till to-morrow morning half after 9 o'clock.