APPENDIX No. 1.

REPORT

OF THE

LIBRARIAN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

To the Honorable the Legislative Council of the Province of Canada, in Provincial Parliament assembled.

The Report of the Librarian upon the state of the Library of Parliament, Respectfully Sheweth:—

That during the past recess, sedulous attention has been bestowed upon the preparation and printing of the second volume of the Library Catalogue, which contains a reference to the classes of books not included in the volume printed last year, especially the works relating to America and Canada. Before the publication of this volume, many deficiencies of standard and useful works printed in, or relating to, this Continent, had to be supplied. This has been done, and your Librarian confidently hopes that this portion of your valuable collection, though still far from complete, will be found sufficiently stored with leading works in the History and Literature of this Continent, for the purposes of Parliamentary research.

In the second volume of the Catalogue, which will shortly be distributed to Members, there will be found a list of the collection of Pamphlets which are upon your shelves, amounting to upwards of three hundred volumes:—An Index to the Parliamentary Papers of the Houses of Lords and Commons concerning Canada, from the year 1800 to the present day; a careful analysis of the different series of manuscripts relating to Canadian affairs, which have been procured from Europe and elsewhere; a subject matter Index to the various classes of works contained in the Library, which has been prepared to facilitate reference on every subject of enquiry; and a new Alphabetical Catalogue of Authors, which may be considered as a supplement to the first volume of the catalogue, and includes the title of every book in the Library, whether it was in your possession at the time the former Catalogue was printed or has been since received.