It is particularly enjoined upon you, and through you upon your officers and crew, that no article intended for sale, or any property other than that which is laden under our direction, and expressed in your bills of lading and manifest, be taken on board of the Messenger, and that in all your proceedings you are bound to avoid the smallest infringement of the laws of the country to which you are destined.

You will of course require of the Governor General a certificate of the delivery of your cargo at the port of St. Johns, to be transmitted to your owners as an evidence of the fulfilment of their engagements.

We wish you a speedy and a favourable passage, and that you may be rewarded for your exertions to effect the object of your mission, with the thanks and blessings of "those who are ready to perish."

We are, in behalf of the subscribers for the relief of the distressed inhabitants of St Johns, your obedient servants,

(Signed) JAMES PERKINS,
ARNOLD WELLES,
JONA. AMORY,
BENJAMIN RICH,
TRISTRAM BARNARD,

Commîttee.

## [No. II.] Letter to Gov. PICKMORE.

JOHN HOUSTON,

To His Excellency FRANCIS PICKMORE, Vice Admiral of the White, and Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, and President of the Society for the Improvement of the poor in St. Johns.

SIR—The recent conflagration of a great part of the town of St. Johns, at a period of the year when it may be impracticable to obtain relief from the parent country, and the calamity which must necessarily ensue to a large number of our fellow beings, have been felt in this town with all the sympathy which they are calculated to inspire.