I have never seen "Saul," but the passages given in the foreign reviews struck me as being very fine.

If I were Mr. Heavysege, I think I should rather publish my work in Canada, than in the States.

I would plant my brains on my own soil.

I remain, Dear Sir,

Yours truly.

HENRY W. LONGFELLOW.

(Charles Lanman to Charles Heavysege.)

Georgetown, D.C., 14th Feb'y, 1861.

My Dear Sir,—I have received with great pleasure, your letter of 11th inst.

There is a lover of good books in this place named Shoemaker, and I gave him your books to read.

He was delighted, and on returning them, he gave me the enclosed sonnet.

The motive will please you at any rate, and I now write, merely to enclose the compliment.

Don't print anything without telling me.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES LANMAN.

(R. W. Emerson to Charles Heavysege.)

Concord, Mass., 19th April, 1864.

My Dear Sir,—I duly received your leter containing the agreeable news that you had a "tale" ready for publication. It was not in my power to see Mr. Fields very early, for he has been absent in New York, but early last week I found him and gave him the letter for his consideration. He was well acquainted with your name and poetic labours, and was glad to receive the communication. He has since been charged with new cares and duties, on account of the sudden death of Mr. Ticknor, so that I have not heard from him on the subject; but I shall see him at the end of this week, I doubt not to report to you his wishes. I am a very reluctant writer, and I wish it were my only sin, in this way, my postponing and at last omission to acknowledge the safe arrival of the new copy of "Saul" you were so good as to send me. It certainly did not happen from any less sense of its high merits.

With great regard and respects,

R. W. EMERSON.

(R. W. Emerson to Charles Heavysege.)

Concord, Mass., 2nd May, 1864.

Dear Sir.—I believe I was so heedless as to write you to the effect that Mr. Fields had the question of your offered Mss. under consideration.

When I saw Mr. Fields two days ago, he said he was waiting daily in expectation of the arrival of your papers.