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E who now take the Liberty of addressing you, having been appointed a Committee, at a General Meeting of the Inhabitants of Fredericton, convened by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the day after the destructive fire in this Town, to inquire into and relieve, as far as a liberal subscription then raised, would enable us, the most urgent wants of the sufferers; have exerted ourselves to the utmost in the charitable undertaking. But accounts of calamiries, of the like nature in other parts of the Province, having since come to our knowledge, His Excellency has been induced to call a second meeting for the benign and laudable purpose of devising means for rendering the same assistance, which numbers may elsewhere now unfortunately require; in furtherance whereof, a second subscription for a GENERAL FUND, was proposed which was most liberally supported, and is still increasing. At the head of which His Excellency, in addition to several other sums from his private purse, placed Fifty Pounds, and which, (together with such sums as charity from other quarters may furnish) will be distributed to the best advantage and relief of all sufferers throughout the Province; and our object in now addressing you is to solicit your co-operation with us, in this work of duty and urgent necessity.

We have therefore ventured to nominate you a Committee for