President of

in the hands of the Joint Committee of our Legislative Library, for their best consideration, in hopes that something may be accomplished at the next meeting of our Legislature. If in any way I can be aiding to your views, it will afford me much gratifi-cation. Meantime,

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

WILLIAM BLACK, President, Legislative Council.

The Honorable A. N. Morin, Speaker of Legislative Assembly, &c., &c., &c., Montreal, Canada.

Letter from the Speaker of the House of Commons.

House of Commons, August 1st, 1849.

Sir,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt

of your letter of July 3rd, 1849.

Sympathizing as I do most truly in the loss sustained by the Houses of Legislature of Canada, owing to the destruction of their valuable Library by fire, I shall have great pleasure in sanctioning the delivery of copies of all the Journals and Papers of the Imperial Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland which are now in our stores, to any party whom you shall inform me is authorized to receive them in this country on behalf of the Legislature of

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient and faithful servant, CHARLES SHAW LEFEVRE, Speaker.

The Honorable A. N. Morin, &c., &c., &c., Montreal.

Reply to the letter from the Speaker of the House of Commona.

Montreal, March, 1850.

Sir,—Having received advices from our Agent in London, (Mr. Wynne, of Paternoster Row,) that he has consigned to the address of the Clerk, twenty cases of Books which have been forwarded to him by your orders, as a donation in aid of the reconstruction of the Library of the Legislative Assembly, so lamentably destroyed by fire last spring, I feel it incumbent upon me without delay, to convey to you the expression of my thanks for your very hand-

some and acceptable present.

At the time that I had the honor to acknowledge your favor of the 1st August last, wherein you stated your kind intentions in our behalf, I did not imagine that your promised contribution to our Library could prove so extensive and so valuable. Nothing you could have sent us, I am persuaded, could have been of such utility for the purposes of Parliamentary reference, as the Journals and Sessional Papers of the House of Commons.

Immediately upon the meeting of the Legislative Assembly, I shall lay before them particulars of your munificent gift, when, I doubt not, the House will formally transmit to you, an assurance of their gratitude for the same.

Meanwhile, I beg you will accept from myself this slight acknowledgment of your liberality, and believe me to remain,

With the highest consideration,

Sir,

Your very obedient humble Servant, (Signed,) A. N. MORIN.

Speaker.

The Right Honorable Charles Shaw Lefevre, Esquire, Speaker.

Westfield, Chautauque County, N. Y., October 24th, 1849.

the Senate of -Your favor of the 22nd ultimo, directed to New York. me at Albany, was forwarded from that place and reached here during my absence on a visit to New England.

It will afford me great pleasure to procure from the Legislature of this State at its Session in January next, an appropriation of public documents to replenish, in part, the Library that was destroyed at Montreal in April last, and I have entire confidence that the effort will be successful, and when obtained they will be forwarded to you at Montreal.

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant, GEO. W. PATTERSON, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

Hon. A. N. Morin, Speaker.

> State of New York, Secretary's Office, Albany, April 8th, 1850.

Letter from the Secretary of the State of

Sir,—Some time since I sent you for the Library of the Parliament of Canada, in the care of Mr. A. Wellington Hart, of New York, a box containing the following Books:

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Senate Journal, 1834, and sundry Pamphlets and Public Documents.

Owing to the absence of the person having charge of these Books, this communication has been delayed to the present time.

Please convey to the Parliament of Canada, our sympathy in the loss of their Library, and the assurances of our distinguished consideration.

I have the honor to be, Your obedient and humble servant, CHRISTOPHER MORGAN,

Secretary of State.

Wm. B. Lindsay, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, Toronto, Upper Canada,

Halifax, April 3rd, 1850. Sir,—In the Session of the General Assembly of Speaker of Nova Scotia. this Province which has just terminated, I called the attention of the House to the letter which you did me the honor of addressing to me, on the 3rd of July, and am gratified in acquainting you, that there was an unanimous feeling in the House, to aid as far as they had the power, in replacing the Library lost under such lamentable circumstances by the Legislature of Canada. The Executive Government, therefore, were charged with the duty of providing complete sets of our Provincial Laws and Journals,

Letter from the