

Committee of Finance, U. S. Senate,

Washington, Jan'y. 21st, 1879.

My dear Sir:

Your favor, with the letter of Judge Bennett, was duly received. I suppose you will have to wait and let the institution grow, and yet I thought it possible, through the laudable ambition of Vermont men learned in the Law, to organize a Law department, without a special fund, and supported only by charges for tuition. It is a pity that we could not have Judge Pack's large store of legal lore packed in a few years of lectures where it would not be lost.

I am glad if you are getting along harmoniously, but I hear Mr. Douglas is