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in their fullest extent in all our labours, and we respectfully refer you the books themselves for our justification of all that we have done. Mr. Abbott has furnished a statement of the number of books that he thinks; and we presume that the Librarian Lloyd P. Smith Esq. concurs in the opinion; did not require rebinding, and they number 229 volumes, and he has also stated that he thinks that there were not less than 300 volumes, nor over 500 volumes in the collection that might have been spared most of the expense that has been put upon them. Should you after due examination and consideration, come to the same conclusion, we prefer to be the losers rather than to afford any just cause of dissatisfaction with the manner in which we have executed the order entrusted to our charge.

As to the prices, we noted carefully the cost of several lots, as they passed through the workmen's hands, and made an average of others of the same size and general character, but