Without some great provision I know not to where the funds are to be had to carry on the work, until the means heretofore provided by the Legislature are made available. The state of the work now, even for a short time, would be ruinous, besides which there is not one of the subcontractors that could stand upon his feet one day after such an event. Which relief is afforded in some way by the first speaking, it is my opinion they must all stop, some of them have been with me and say, they are making great exertions to hold out until that day but beyond it they cannot go. They have now written to my son Edwin. I do urge upon our friends the necessity of some speedy relief. The dissolution of our board is an event not unlooked for by me. I feel perfectly certain from several quarters, that I should go out, as it seems I was more obnoxious than any other member of the board, understanding however that the Governor should have said, that he would appoint none but the friends of the work, I was supposed to be one. That Mr. Mason may be induced myself. It is believed that by my