The best disposition exists among the enlightened and patriotic throughout the Peninsula, but these are croakers, and those of contracted intelligence, with others whose inordinate desires cannot be gratified, or who are under the influence of personal prejudices, composing a discordant combination of opponents equally impotent and unworthy of regard in comparison with the great interests of the enterprize —

As an humble individual I would exert my faculties in promoting the object, and would not accede to any act which might impede it — I aspire, not the office of President, Secretary or Treasurer, but, to serve with zeal and fidelity in a department requiring personal supervision and persevering industry to insure success and economical applications of means and materials — And will yield to others of superior qualifications and qualities in consideration of the assurance thereby afforded in favor of the common deliberation — and I would relinquish all connection with the capital if more worthy friends of the work should wish to hold it —

Understanding that the Commissioners have not effected the loan in Europe, I trust that the arrangement contingently concluded with the