

far as I could ascertain, he is universally popular among the people over whom he presides. He seems to exhibit a deep interest in the welfare of the colonists, and the prosperity of that infant Colony. Of Dr. Mc Gill I may simply state, that I regard him as altogether competent to the performance of the duties of his station, as Colonial Physician. I think it is doubtful, indeed, whether the medical department of the Colony could be more ably filled. The colonists, generally, appear to be sober, industrious, and contented. There are a few "loafers and loungers," as in other settlements in Liberia;



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such as may be found in almost every city or town in the United States. But, on the whole, I think that the little Colony of Maryland in Liberia is a very interesting place; and a very desirable residence for all colored persons who wish to enjoy the privileges of freedom and equality; and who are capable of appreciating the blessings of liberty." Yours truly, J. W. Dugan

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II. Correspondence Received

A. Letter Books

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