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My Esteemed Friend Frederick Towne February 5th mid
Yours of 31st Ult^o I received by Mail & immediately inform
The Orphans Court of the importance of having all papers ready
and what Money was due to Wesley and Solomon Groce be
called for from the Executors; I am pleased to inform you that
on Saturday Morning 3rd inst^o the Register of Wills came to me
by G. G. G. and gave me in possession the Money placed
in his hands by the Executors, as all that is due to them
it is about half what the Boys believed was due them
but as they were in the power of the Philistines I advised them
to come off as quiet as possible & be thankful for small
favours, I have now their Freedom papers and Money.
The Executors ordered that I must pay the Money or place it
in the hands of the Captain until the vessel sailed, I tipped
a look with my finger at the extremity of my nasal organ
& looked coon fashion, with a wag of the head, on which
they moved; thus far our inter course is closed, the Boys pro
mise to be down on Thursday 15th inst^o & make arrangements
to go on Board, bag & baggage, on Monday 17th if the weather
is any way reasonable & am blessed with health so to do, I may
go down with them if not agreeable to my promise to the
Orphans Court I will inclose to you the Freedom papers
of Wesley & Solomon Groce, if they embark give them to
them if not retain them; for by Will they are not to re
ceive them unless they do go to Africa if Mr. Zion
has not started I would not ask him to come up as all
is done that I think can be done at this time I thank
you for your kind impression of C. S. Groce my boy who gave
you my letter I would be very glad to have him in a suitable

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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