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Respected Friend-

Mt. Vaughan near C.
Palmas, U. A. April 27, '49.

I cannot permit the Packet to return without sending a few lines to tell you how much we are pleased with people and things in Liberia - and in Maryland especially. We handed your letter of introduction to Gov. Russwurm (for whom former we thank you) who received us very cordially. We ^{have} dined with him twice since our arrival. We are glad to find the colony here in so flourishing a condition, and promising so well for the future. I am sure if free persons of colour in the U. States knew what is for their best intellectual, social, pecuniary and (perhaps,) spiritual interest, they would not hesitate in coming by thousands to a land properly their own, and in most respects well adapted to their health, their comfort, their usefulness, and consequently their happiness.

We are pleased with our prospects here, and are confident, that by God's blessing, we shall be the means of doing at least something for Africa - and her millions of benighted children. We find our mis-

*Fishtown & Rocktown are our stations.

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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