so that the main objects of the Society for advising and favouring the early declaration of Independence of the Colony will be defeated.

As you will likely receive from the Colonists a plan for the future government of this Colony, I shall confine myself merely to a few remarks respecting it.

As Mr Pronts propositions seem to meet the views of a good number of the Colonists, in order to counteract its influence, and to convince the people that its adoption will in a great measure be antagonistic to the plans of the Society, upon whom we must be dependent still, I have been compelled to refer freely to your private letter to Gov. Russwurm & myself, in order to give satisfactory assurances of the disposition of the Society to watch over our interests, and to do, better for us, and by us than we could do for ourselves, the only aid required of us being to secure the promise of Confederation anterior to our Declaration of Independence.

I need hardly assure you that Mr Pront has neither my sanction, support, nor approval in what I consider schemes for his personal aggrandisement. Secretary of the Treasury and Control of trade being the offices appropriated to himself in the new government, he being the only man fit for the office he -

As this is strictly a private letter, and as it is likely the last one with which I shall have occasion to trouble you, altho' long already, I must tire your patience with a few more remarks.

The main objections started by the Liberians to confederating with us - are That at the very outset it would require a remodelling of the present Constitution and government (I have caught your views on this point, and acknowledge the force of your argument as well as the truth) Why, they ask is it required of us to make these changes, to establish relations with Mr Liberia which are neither sought for, nor desired nor in any way beneficial to the Republic? "We are willing to ~~extend~~ give to all of our sister Colonies who desire it, a share in all that we possess of Nationality