"Having heard the suggestion that terms might be exacted, I mention it." This sentence in your letter following your remarks in support of Confederation appears derisive, nevertheless, I can assure you that such is absolutely the fact, it was mentioned to me in confidence by a strong friend of the Colony but a Member of the Liberian Senate.

The older Republics would refuse an alliance with the younger and the weaker! If the Md. St. Col. Soc if it was possible that the Soc. could abandon this Col. or withdraw its support, before they could sustain themselves, the Republic would receive them upon the same terms that I have before named upon application being made.

As I cannot confidently look forward to the early accomplishment of the Object the Society have in view I shall expect to be discharged from the duties of the Agency upon the next arrival of the Packet, as aside from the derangement of my business produced by my stay here I am averse to retaining the Agency because of the annoyances to which it subject me. Should you not have appointed another Agent as requested I will be disappointed, cannot decide what I will do

But I must close my lengthy and desultory communication, which I fear ~~you have~~ has wearied you already —

I have the honor to remain dear Sir Very Respectfully

Your obdt. Servant

Saml. J. McGee

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