

Triana Ala Nov 9<sup>th</sup> 1852

To some Agent of colonization in Liberia,

Dear Sir, The object of this communication is to gain information in regard to the probable cost of a Saw Mill, with either a circular or Sash Saw, embracing Machinery, Engine, &c, together with the cost of transportation of the same to Liberia. - I wish also to learn, if possible, whether or not such an investment would pay in that distant country. Any information on this subject will be most thankfully received by myself and several other colored men in this country, who have some notion of emigrating to Liberia. - Please answer this soon, and give me such information as you can on this subject.

Very respectfully  
Your humble Serv<sup>t</sup>  
William Sampson.

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A. Letter Books

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