know that a liberal Gentleman in the South, authorizes me to draw for one thousand dollars for the project of a Steamer.

I presume he will not withhold this amount from packet ships, should it be thought best to secure such vessels in preference to a Steamer. What we most now need is union in some plan for securing ships of some kind, to run under the Society's direction regularly between our country & Liberia. I am pained to see that death has removed our friends Judge Benedict & Zion Harris, men who have done much for Liberia. I hope your health is better and pray God long to spare your eminently useful life!

Your friend truly

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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