Ti. A. 2)

The following is the sum and substance of what is intended by the enclosed ratification Bill. I offered it to the Senate, but they would take no notice of it.

"An act ratifying the treaty entered into on the 14th day of February, 1854, and concluded the 22nd day of the same month and year, between Commissioners on the part of the Government of Md. in Liberia, and the Board of Managers of the Md. Lt. Col. Society:

"Whereas, the people of the State of Maryland in Liberia, having authorized and appointed Commissioners on their part to proceed to the City of Baltimore in the State of Maryland, one of the United States of North America, and there treat with the Board of Managers of the Maryland Lt. Col. Society, in reference to the settlement and arrangements of the future relations between the said Society and the State of Maryland in Liberia: And whereas the said Commissioners having, upon the date last aforementioned, fully finished and settled the business of their mission — Therefore,

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate, that the said Treaty, on this Eleventh day of July, One thousand, Eight and fifty-four, is hereby declared to have all the force of law; and His Excellency, the Governor, is authorized and requested to settle and finish effectually, all the conditions and considerations thereunto appertaining.

Sec. 2. And Be it Enacted, that the treaty which by the first section of this act was confirmed, sanctioned and made valid, is hereby ordered to be deposited among the archives in the State Department."

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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