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Colo. Rodney

Wash. 27 March 1855

My Dear Sir

At the request of Mr. Gurley I inclose you a copy of letter from Mr. Albertis touching a sailing vessel for Siberia. He thinks you can decide some important questions connected with the subject: 1 Is this proposition a basis on which Mr. Gurley can go to work to raise say $40.000 for a ship — part of the contributions to be in materials — 2 Can the vessel be built to advantage in Florida? 3 What would the live oak timber for her be worth? 4 Shall we buy one outright — or build? 5 If we buy, shall we send men to cut the live oak, & sell it & the pine? 6 If we build in Balt. shall we still send men for the live oak. And so on, any thing that may occur to you. As Mr. Gurley desires this proposition to be submitted to the Exp. Com. at

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11. Correspondence Received
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