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My Dear Sir.

I have read with much satisfaction your letter of January 20th. And be assured, Sir, I fully appreciate all you have there stated. The subject to which you refer is, unquestionably, one of great importance to the future progress and welfare of Liberia: And one to which my thoughts have frequently adverted — indeed I have long sined been satisfied in my own mind that settlements in the interior — at a proper elevation, and sufficiently removed from the influence of miasma arising from mangrove swamps, which you know we do less abound this whole coast — would be more healthy; And where, I really believe "new comers" might be located with comparative impunity, so far as African fever is concerned. And in other important respects, interior settlements, I am quite sure, would possess advantages not within the reach of establishments immediately on the coast. This whole subject has been canvassed, again and again, by the people here; And I believe the general impression is, that the experiment should be tried just so soon as found practicable. The great difficulty which presents itself in the way of carrying out this

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