such matters, I thought I saw reason to suspect, that the witnesses were not the most reliable, & that they were under the influence, in some way, of strong personal antipathy. I have not felt satisfied that we had the right of the case; yet it may be so. His name is H. W. Ellis.

If you visit Africa, will you be so kind as to inquire, quietly upon reliable grounds, so that you can inform me what has been his real character & conduct since he has been in Africa; & what his reputation now; and write me to Gainesville Alabama upon your return; or at such time as may be most convenient for you?

And that you may go safely in all the way, is the sincere desire of

Your friend &c.

Jno. A. Bliss.

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