terms, will not be available in every respect for which it was intended by the State, in the anticipated arrangement with the Republic of Liberia. I am thus obliged to solicit an order from you to Mr Gibson, for which the Quarter Master's orders may be honored in such provisions as you have mentioned to me. The kindly donation of a quantity of tobacco to facilitate our native affairs: The supplies to which I refer are Bacon hams, Bread &c. to meet the demands of an outfit of our troops, should it be found absolutely necessary to move against the enemy. I trust, that matters may be so ruled that there will be no cause to shed blood more. As it regards my humble, observation, Sir, I must be unworthy of my trust and the confidence of a rising sovereign people, were I to be charged with ingratitude as their representative. My fellow citizens, in common with me, feel graciously grateful for the kindly office you have been the ready organ in our affairs. Thus far I can say with perfect confidence that our difficulties have been almost miraculously provided for. With regard to myself I know not how I have sustained myself under the arduous pressure of the executive duties. You Sir having had ample experience in those duties, can readily award me your sympathies in this critical juncture. Your notes are certainly welcomed, and to me as a reservoir of consolation to my feelings. I can assume you from the chambers of my heart, that all my acts have been pure. and to perpetuate the plans for which these Colonies have been so fairly planted on this Coast. I feel conscious that I am in the discharge of my duty. I have received a letter from the President of the Board, having direct reference to yourself, and all which he was pleased to say of

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