The immigrants per Mr. C. Stevens have evinced more energy than has ever come under my notice; indeed the Rev A D Williams and other settlers say that such manifestations of industry have never been observed by them in any other expeditions. It is true that these house are humble, but they are their own and are happy in them in the enjoyment of their domestic felicity. It was not an unfrequent sight to see, not only men, but even women going towards the forest with their axes on their shoulders to hew out logs for the building of their domicils. The Shoemaker who is now gone to Monrovia boast that he has made some sixty or seventy dollars since he left America. Mr Fletcher, who is a carpenter, exults in the prospect of his making sufficient money to return to the States for his wife. Old man West, who is a joiner, has been industriously ~~has been industriously~~ engaged since his arrival. He has just completed a job for one man for which he received twenty dollars. I should think that his receipts ~~were in the~~ approximate towards a hundred dollars. Unfortunately for the old man, shortly after his landing — perhaps two weeks, some one opened his trunk and appropriated twenty dollars of his gold to his own necessities. If a diligent and immediate search had been made and the party arrested upon whom there were apparently sufficient reasons for suspicion, there is no doubt but that he would have obtained if not all, at least a portion of the money. Mr West felt sanguine that one of the immigrants called ~~Anthony~~ ~~and Mrs Powell's~~ ~~ob~~ eldest ~~Son John~~ knew where his money had gone. A few days afterwards, ~~John Powell~~ visited Monrovia purchasing wine, it is said, and many other good things, which he and others enjoyed after his return. This was previous to the Dr Roberts and my arrival there.

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A. Letter Books

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