give him a support. therefore he comes and stays out his hired time, and of course he will make the best report he can in order that he may be hired again.

Hence it may be seen at a glance that the statement does not grow out of that righteous disinterestedness that should flow from the heart of one interested in the general welfare of Liberia. — I know the keen sight of the American Republic has long since decided that Mr Seys was partial in his selection from what he writes — the way he describes things in favour of one place, and against the other.

I arrived in Liberia, December 8th A.D. 1834. - I remained at Monrovia only a few days - and proceeded to Bassa where I have lived ever since, & prefer it to any place I have ever visited in Liberia —

I have visited all the settlements excepting those of very recent date. I do not mean to say that I find any special fault of other places, but only say I like Bassa best.

I intend to notice Mr Seys communication of Dec 3rd 1856, and will try to regard truth - while I try to defend the county of Grand Bassa as I live there.

It may be noticed that Mr Seys left Monrovia Nov 7th 1856, according to his communication, & returned to Monrovia from searching the land in the Dusk country on

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