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Dr James Hall

My Dear Sir I wrote Friday to say: that the "Magdalena" was going out March 1st via Sierra Leone & that I had asked for freight. This has been denied me. Overfull of their own the owners say. Well we must be thankful that we have a Packet. By the way I wrote to Gurley Saturday to remonstrate against the printed Minutes so far as they relate to the Stevens. Action was had on that Report & its recommendations were approved & ought to have the force of commands. I see the Treasurs account does not refer to the earnings of the Packet for passenger (Emigrants) nor for Society's freight.

I prepared a statement for Gurley from a comparison of Annual Reports from 1853 to 1858 inclusive from which the cost of Emigrants by chartered Vessels was seen to double the cost by the Stevens - viz.

from 1853 to 1857. Charter. 2530 Emigrants. Cost $193.683. Average Each $76.50
1857 : 1858. Stevens 641. " " 24.058 " " 37.60

a saving of $39. on each Emigrant = to $25.000 and if we deduct Diff of receipts of freight for Packet 14.927. we have still a gain of over $10.000 on the three voyages besides what she may earn on her return.

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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