is reduced to 30 years — and the amount awarded by the Experts is allowed $84.230.27. & as soon as that is paid to us, or into Court our annuity is terminated & extinguished. It is too bad — we are literally "Cut off with a Shillin."

Mr. Kelly has rec.d a letter from Mr. Bowen this A.M. in which he fathers the whole bill — Duff was therefore right, in saying he had nothing to do with it. He says — that is Bowen says — "If you suppose me to be under the influence of any person whatever, you are greatly mistaken. Without ~~caring~~ caring at all for the seeming presumptions of such a measure, I wanted the charter wholly in my own name, because if I am instrumental in removing thousands of people to Africa, I must have power to prescribe terms to the Company, as a condition of its existence. For governmental powers I proposed to apply to the Legislature of Liberia & thus to make the new settlement in fact a colony of that Republic. The commercial affairs of the Company, steamships, roads &c. are to be under a Board of Directors in this country, checked by a Board of Supervisors in Africa. Intended to make the exportation of slaves felony. Yet in all these things

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