No. 21 Portland Place
London
Sept. 30. 1861

Dear Sir,

I have your favor of the 28th ult. and yesterday the Rev. Dr. Pinney of New York gave me a letter and also the Journal which I will be glad to receive when it comes out. I shall be very glad to attend to them.

What you tell me about the Republican party in Illinois is very interesting. I do not think they will cause much trouble. The Cuba question is a great bad thing and I fear the management of it will be in the hands of men who are more anxious about the Cuban, than the American, affairs. If my name be used for the chair — say, Mr. Bancroft, the American Quinn, couple me, and I shall be a "Mr. Cass" with a difference from the coming round. It is not very in the world to be any more receptive than I am at present, but I will do what I can for a few days. Quite agree with you that Christianity will not raise our unfortunate

kindly talk with Dr. Gurley on this subject and let me know his opinion as well as that of Mr. O'Brien, Dr. Pinney of New York and Mr. Latrobe and other good friends of Liberia. I applied to Mr. Buchanan in 1858 when President of the U. S. and sent him a letter for Gov. Cass when Secy. of State, but never had any reply from Mr. Buchanan and I take it for granted that he did not approve of the measure as I begged him not to trouble himself to reply to me if he didn't think it expedient to move in the matter at that time. I hope a more favorable time has arrived now. I am to read a Paper before the Society of Arts in London next December and I wish to prepare to collect all the reliable matter about Liberia that is possible in the meantime and I shall be much obliged if you and your son will kindly furnish me with materials. Send me a little publication from Chambers Repository which gives an account of Liberia and I hope you will be pleased to add notes & information to bring them up to the present day. I want accuracy of information. I am exceedingly sorry not to see you in London. I should have been so glad to see you. Make my kind regards to your son and Dr. Gurley and believe me dear Sir,

Yours most truly
J. Hodgson.

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