for purchase. — It is well for our Authorities to show a bold front to prevent hostilities around us, but I hope the recklessness of underlings will not carry it to extremes and involve us in difficulties which we are not prepared to meet and bear up against, but tomorrow will show how we will stand, on the arrival of the Mail. I fear me much, that we will have some difficulty yet hope not. my liberal views in regard to our Cape Palmas's natives may lead me to form wrong conclusions respecting them but it seems ~~that it is~~ to me that we would be glad to have other surrounding tribes impose on and tyranize over them because it may be to our interest and ~~that~~ that they are within our reach, but I consider that right is right and justly due to all, and where the power lies one party should not be compelled to submit to that power or restraint than the other. — It is true that in our last war the Rock Town assisted us very materially for a time, that affair was settled and I consider that we should now afford like justice to each party and show no partiality to either, for I feel confident that if we had have been worsted in that case they would also have turned against us also. therefore we should show no favors to either against the other.

I feel that I am now getting better of my infirmities my skins are less troublesome and my bodily health otherwise is good, only I find that considerable exercise from active business makes my shins painful, but rest gives me ease. I hope to get over or rid of the disease, and go away from this place as I am heartily tired of it. — particularly that family annoyances worries are most confoundedly, Sister Sarah's and Dr's disagreement and incessant bickering gives me pain, both are contrary as the devil and I think Sarah most so, but she is as mulish and stubborn as a sack ass, so is Dr.

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