The "Greyhound" cleared to day for New York, my engagements connected with her business, and that of an English vessel that left two days ago, kept me so steadily employed that it was unable to find time to write — this will go by the "Semeis" that will sail on the 30th and perhaps arrive as soon.

You will be pained to learn that Mathew Arias was forced to bring an action against Dr. Dunbar for crim. con: The Jury found a verdict against Dunbar, with damages $5000 in & Costs $756. The trial occupied nine days producing quite a sensation in the community. This discreditable affair had been a long time existing, no friendly warnings or cautions had the effect to stay Anne in her rash and criminal proceedings — at last Arias got wind of it became furious, smash'd her awfully, she left, and he brought the action that has resulted in disgracing her. George must relate to you the particulars, it pains me to write them.

Rock purposes going abroad in April, "to die or get well" he says. I am engaged raising English funds for his purposes. A stranger Englishman now here offers Stg £ gold for our Oil in Cash — and to give drafts on London @ 7 days sight, but we don't know him, he is seemingly a fair enough man but we cannot risk our 15,000 Gals Oil $1000 without knowing more of him. We shall have to carry the Oil to Sierra Leone and sell it for Cash or Government drafts. Rock will require at least $1000 to his Credit in London in order to his being comfortable and well cared for: he may have to go in the Cantonment, and may have to stay one or two years — we shall try and arrange accordingly. We have no Specie or not over $1500 — American draft we if we had them would'nt serve at a discount of 33% so there's no help for it but to load up and find a market in Sierra Leone. Your son has promised if he is able to give us Bills on London England for the bal. due us on hint account.

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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