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Hon James Hall M. D.

My dear Sir

I have been proposing again and again to drop you a line, but the fact is, for the last three or four months, I have been so constantly on the go, and finding so many little matters, here and there, claiming my attention that I have been forced to forego the pleasure of writing to many of my friends as often as I could wish. Having returned yesterday from New Hampshire – where I have been spending a few days exciting Colonization, and trying to interest the good folks in favor of Liberia College, all up hill work, however, just now – and having a few moments leisure this evening, I have concluded no longer to defer a little chat with you. Since I scarcely know that I have any thing to say that would particularly interest you. In the first place, however, I learn, through your Son, that you did not receive the letter I addressed you in March last, just before leaving Washington; and there is something inexplicable in regard to several letters I sent to be posted about that time. I regret that yours failed to reach you, tho' it contained but little, except to apprise you of my failure in being able to secure the influence of Mr Sumner in the matter of which we were speaking; for the reason as he stated – that he preferred to abstain from all recommendations to office, or in any way to interfere

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