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Frankfort. Ky. Augt. 19. 1857.

Dr. James Hall.

Dear Sir

As it is my intention to go out to Liberia in the M. C. Stevens in her Nov. Expedition. I am very anxious to meet expenses. Will you inform me what articles I could take out with me in the ship (I paying freight) to sell there to the best advantage for cash or for exchange of what I could bring back. I could sell palm oil in Louisville in that state which is ~~use~~ sold to soap & candle makers. Will you please give me information. and also if favourable, whether casks can be readily had in Liberia, and at what price.

Your friend,

Alex. M. Cowan,

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