

Wm. M. G. Stearns

Newport Dock, Mon. July 19/61

Wm. Ralston Esq,
Comd. Genl. of Liberia
London -

Dear Sir, Your kind regards to
my son W. M. Hall, induces this request upon
your attention - I have been in the Bay
near two months, on business of our Colonization Ship,
& confined on board most of the time by illness.
I am desirous for information from Liberia, &
have no means of obtaining any, except through
you. We have two vessels on the coast or on
their way hither or to the U.S. & I am very anxious
to learn their whereabouts, or whether they have
left the coast - I thought likely the Liberia pa-
pers might inform me, or possibly you might
know from other sources - Names of vessels
Bouque Cordelia of N.Y. & Brig Palermo of Balt.
Possibly too, you may know of some Liberia in
London, of whom you might get the information
desired, or ask the party to communicate with me di-
rectly, as I am bound to trust Liberia -
If you will receive this through & send me any late
Liberia papers you may have to spare, or give me the
information desired, you will greatly oblige me -
Very respectfully yours, Wm. Stearns

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