You will notice that the expenses of the Ship average about the same at each voyage. I think we may safely calculate that the paying freight both ways will gradually increase to the extent of the full capacity of the Ship not required for emigrants & the Society's freight. And this will much exceed the amount heretofore taken in consequence of ballasting with iron, which you are aware was done previous to her departure on her last voyage to the estimated increase of her capacity of near 1000 bbls. The insurance on the Ship is diminished one half agreeable to a Resolution of the Board of Directors at their last meeting. I have set the Salary of myself as agent in the general summary of the year at $1000.-, as I see you have charged that amt paid by a vote of the Board of Directors, but I considered it as due for the first years services as agent. For my services the present year I shall deduct from freight furnished Voy E. as per vote of the Board 1000 bbls.

It may not be superflous to remark that the ship performs as well as during her first years service, making passages on an average in less time than any square rigged vessel in the trade. I have thus far been fortunate too in securing the services of a good Master & Officers, having heard no reasonable complaint from any quarter. From this cause & the superior accommodations of the Ship & provisions for Cabin passengers, she is sought by such to their great inconvenience in many other respects, both by Liberians having occasion to visit this country

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