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Capt Chesebrough

instructions I cannot state many things definite & indefinite, which as they frequently occur I will here mention. The position in which the Ship will remain the ensuing year will necessitate the expenses to be the extra charges. Monthly pay 17½ - 15% on all freight collected in Liberia & also on all passage money received & this is guaranteed to be equal to $100. I have to continue in port, not including any time of stay here or personal expenses in Liberia other than for the Ship. I am particular in making this stipulation as individuals in Liberia are constantly wanting the Captain of the Ship to fill orders for them; also parties in this City are continually asking the Captain even Officers & Crew to take ventures for them. Now as I remarked in a former letter, the Ship is a freighting Ship & takes freight of goods & merchandise for all parties indiscriminately, yet it is determined that no one connected with the Ship shall be directly or indirectly engaged in Traffic, & you will please see that this

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