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 Rev. & Dear Sir.

Sierra Leone August 1st
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I feel constrained, though unknown to you, to
 give the liberty I take in addressing you; & I am
 sensible of expressing my respect to the manner & timeliness
 of the decision & also to the worth & excellence of her
 surviving partner, who is, at present, left alone to
 his life. Mr. D. has mentioned to me your affectionate
 regard to repeatedly shown towards him, & the anxious
 solicitude you have always expressed for their mutual
 welfare - & now Sir, as death has separated that
 near connection & left him a solitary survivor here
 below, he indulges the hope of an increasing interest
 in your progress & that you will be pleased to be the
 impinger of these tidings to the remainder of his family
 & friends. This he hopes to do himself at a future
 period, if spared, when he shall have so far recovered
 from the same sickness with which he has been
 afflicted. Mr. D. was taken ill first, & that on
 the 18th Inst with the fever, on the 20th Mrs. D.
 became ill also, & had every symptom peculiar to
 the fever in this country. It was then I saw them
 both, & lamented I had not known of their indisposition
 before. The fever soon after assumed its different
 stages & frequently were we led to hope that she would
 be again restored to her health & strength, but the Lord
 would not so, & our prayers, & when circumstances would per-
 mit & the fever had subsided we found her calm &
 collected.