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a day with me here yesterday at my summer home, and we went over some matters pretty carefully regarding Liberia. Mr. Clark is a young man, a native of the state of New Hampshire. He has had, however, much experience in the departments at Washington, beside during the last eight or nine months he has been making a thorough preparation for his work in Liberia. I think you will like Mr. Clark. He is certainly thoroughly in earnest, and is without race prejudice.

I am sorry that matters regarding Liberia have moved so slowly in this country, but you can easily understand that with all the work that is going on in Washington that everything moves slowly. A few of us, however, have kept the interests of Liberia constantly before the Department and it looks now as if matters are coming out all right.

Whenever I can be of service do not fail to command me. Yours very truly,

[Booker T. Washington]

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¹Daniel Edward Howard in 1911 was chairman of the True Whig party in Liberia, after earlier service as party secretary and governor of Montserrado County. He was president of Liberia from 1912 to 1920.

To Julius B. Ramsey

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Major Ramsey: Please let me have the names of all married teachers who are occupying rooms in your Department that might be occupied by students.

In an increasing degree we shall have to enforce the policy of letting families provide rooms for themselves on the outside. It is not fair to our students to have some of our best rooms taken by families. We do not permit students to board on the outside and for this reason, we ought not to cramp them, when teachers might go a short distance from the school grounds and provide rooms or houses for themselves.

Besides we shall be helping the teachers in proportion as we teach them how to become independent in the way of providing a place to live. Young people especially ought to be taught that before they get