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Dear Father:

You addressed your last communication to me to Washington N. C. hence I did not receive it till this morning. As per your request the papers have been returned.

Vance is a great man, judging him by the modern standard of greatness, but Nat Mason I believe would never have recognized in him all those sterling qualities that go to make up a true Roman. The battle of the matter is this,

A committee from the Alliance some time ago drew up a Sub Treasury Bill which they submitted to Vance & asked his opinions touching

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it, Vance replied that it was unconstitu-  
tional in its present shape,  
the committee answered, Well, then  
alter its shape & make it constitu-  
tional & make it such as you  
will support. A few weeks later  
Vance introduced the a Sub Treasury  
Bill in the Senate. Whose Bill  
was it? Certainly it was not  
committee's, as the members of  
that body had never seen it. No,  
the whole truth of the matter is this,  
Vance intended to support the Bill  
as Le virtuously promised, but  
when the Democrats put the thumb  
screws on him, he wilted, & like  
every other politician, in the same  
boat, grabbed on to the party he be-  
lieved to be the stronger & destined  
to the longer life. I am not  
astonished at Vance, as the morals

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of the men with whom he associates.  
(The members of the U.S. Senate) are a  
disgrace to civilization. Yet even so  
I believe him still immeasurably  
superior to any man in that body.  
Eliminate selfishness, & you will  
find him a grand old man.  
I am by no means a pessimist, but  
it does look to me as though hu-  
man nature had relegated to ob-  
scurity every man who had a  
thought beyond self, & buried in  
oblivion every soul who could  
even appreciate the character of  
a Cicero. I note what you  
say about your address & will cheerfully  
render all the assistance in my power

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I shall be in Vancouver about the 1st  
& will then have you give me an  
idea of its character, the data you  
wish to use, the compilation etc,  
I have written in great haste & with  
a view to talking to me. Excuse errors  
& irregularity

Hastily app.

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Have you seen my reply to Bishop  
Selous on the Negro question?