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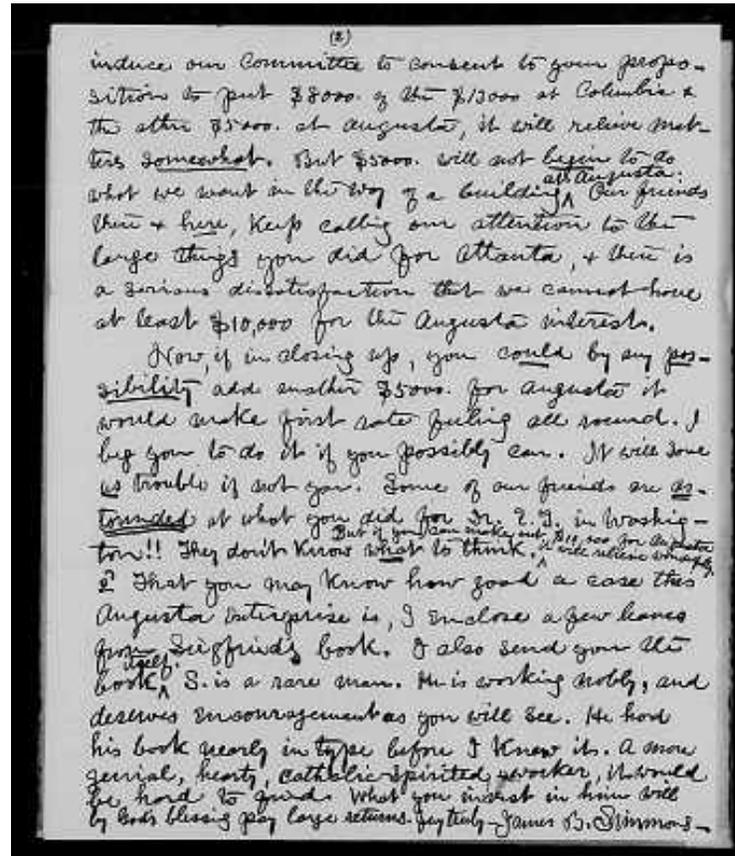
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Now, if in closing up, you could by any possibility add another \$5000 for Augusta it would make first rate feeling all round. I beg you to do it if you possibly can. It will save us trouble if not you. Some of our friends are astounded at what you did for Dr. E.T. in Washington!! They don't know what to think. But if you can make out \$10,000 for Augusta it will relieve wonderfully.

2d That you may know how good a case this Augusta enterprise is, I enclose a few leaves from Siegfried's book. I also send you the book itself. S. is a rare man. He is working nobly, and deserves encouragement as you will see. He had his book nearly in type before I knew it. A more genial, hearty, catholic-spirited worker, it would be hard to find. What you invest in him will by God's blessing pay large returns.

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