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south line of N.C. - it
 is the area of the severe
 drought of last summer.
 I do not think there
 will be one third funds
 enough at the command
 of the associations operating
 there to keep many of
 the freed people from
 starving this winter.
 I have had Dublin friends
 to permit me to divert
 some of their funds for
 sent to me recently
 for the purpose of organizing
 a Home N.C. Freedmen's
 Assoc. of friends, under
 the care of the Party N.Y.
 of N.C. - I am to meet
 that Com. in N.C. next
 seventh day & have seen

Dublin, N.C. 1872
 My dear friend
 I am very sorry to
 hear of the drought in
 N.C. I have no money
 of 20 cents with instruction
 to draw on N.C. for
 £150 of Am. N.C. Com.
 just now - I shall do so
 by next steamer.
 We have had good crops in
 Maryland, & the City Gov.
 has taken in 18 City
 Col. Schuch - our Annual
 is more than half self-
 sustaining, & I think it
 right to tell you Com.
 that I would advise the
 distribution in the district
 covered between the James
 River (Richmond) W. & the