say to him that I thought the Pirate should have a chance in a healthy climate & with some show of permanence; that he had been moved from pillar to post so often, & in such a pestilential country, that he ought to be allowed to acquire purse and health. He said he thought so too, & would look after him. His expression towards Alfred was of the heartiest description, and of the heartiest friends of his. I had an opportunity also of bringing about the formal visit of Thiers to the President which we all agreed ought to be done made, but which was rather an awkward thing.

But Mitchell has come for the letters, so that I will finish tomorrow

George