Cape Palmas August 17th 1834

Dr Instructor Esq

(Mr Cooper) Dear Sir It gives me pleasure to state that the gentleman to whom you entrusted the cargo consigned to me has so far as circumstances have come to my knowledge taken considerable pains to perform his part of the contract with great punctuality & fidelity. In my present precipitous situation he has not only displayed a willingness to serve me & the colony but a desire to do so without adequate compensation. He has spent three days in procuring a gang of men & charges no more therefor than what I have been accustomed to give the natives. Such philanthropic conduct in a business man on the coast of Africa is very rare & merits your decided approbation —

I have the honour &c

Your obt Servant

James J Wells

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