things because I promised to state fact to you when I left
home & you told me where I fell. Straitness to mention

I wrote Mr ~~Thomas~~ Geo Hudson & Dr Jno Martin about a loan of
$50.00 to get me some trade goods and to assist in getting the
untensils for my farm I want arrangement made with the
agent for me to work it out but I want it done so as to prev
ent my paying double what the things cost in America if my
friends feel disposed to comply with my request I wish them to
arrange so that if I get 50 00 worth of goods I may not have
to do a hundred dollars worth of work I feel very anxious of farm
ing on a laige scale and if I get what I want from America
and my life is spared a few years longer I want to shew what may
be done in Africa There will be no farming here of any cons
equence untill the people get the necessary articles for that purpose
we can make enough to eat but it will be no more so far
we have done very well We will never be able to get Rice at
this extravagant price for stock untill we begin to raise stock
our self the natives will have their price for every thing we dont
raise but as soon as we begin to raise them they will fall as
they have done with other things The articles I shall want
for trade is cloth tobacco crockery or powder all of these thing
it takes to buy a bullock I will be glad to have some soap there
is none here now and it allways has been a scarce article here
the ashes is not strong enough to make ley it has been tried
but we cannot make it.

I feel a little interested about schools we have no teacher
of our own their is one taught by a teacher belonging to the Mission
~~at present~~ at present but I dont know how long she will continue
and there is children enough for two or three schools we had the
promise of having our children educated but I see no provision
made for it

Miss McAllister died on the first of this month she suffered
many months but I trust she is now in Heaven I have had much
religious conversation with her and I beleive she was a christian the
missionaries I suppose will give you more satisfaction than I can about
her I will be glad if you will make arrangement to
send me a stone mill I want one to grind corn & rice for
flour I remain Sir yrs respectfully Henry Dennis

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A. Letter Books

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