in it is involved a character for which we have merited respect. Dr James Hall will live long in our memories as the pioneer of our Colony and Experienced and Skilful physician, as the Companion of our Suffering & the father of our people. His name will be cherished in the hearts of many who have followed him to this Colony, aided in its purchase, & affected a settlement amidst Circumstances so Embarrassing & afflictive. The ability with which has Caused the aborigenes by which we are thickly Surrounded & in many respects unavoidably associated, fel our superiority and importance to them deserves a place not only in the Columns of the ~~passing~~ past but to be indelibly inscribed upon the tablets of our ~~recollections~~ Recollections our soil is stained with no blood, the iron stain of Battle we have never seen no never have felt & unquestionablely Subsequent Agents will do well in part to imulate his judicious treatment toward the natives until their hostility shall call for graver measures, most deeply to deprecated. This will not be understood to imply in the Dr an ~~Exemption~~ from those infirmities of our Comon nature by which we are liable to Error & mistake though influenced by the purest motives, but it is introduced to show the Board that we venerate the Dr while we beg to be Delivered from some things blended with his administration. From reports which have been received by us, more especially which have recently Come to hand we are quite Certain that our situation here have been much misrepresented. With what motives this has been done we are not prepared to say. Long ago would your memorialist have presented a report of Existing difficulties, but we ~~were~~ were informed by the agent that our petitions would not be heard and that himself was the only organ of Communication. Recently we have learned to our entire satisfaction the we may report a privilege of which in future we purpose to avail ourselves. We understood that the Board have been informed, that we are very Comfortably situated & that ~~if that~~ we were but off ~~from~~ the Store we could live Comfortably. Unpleasent as it is in justice to the Board & ourselves, we are compelled to Contradict these assersions & declare openly that if many of our Colonist were Cut of from the Store (there is but one) without the intervention of some foreign aid, they could not subsist. It will be recolected that we have been here but a short time that the place was a wilderness, when we arrived, that we have had to pass through the fever, that ~~that~~ we had no means to Build our houses or Cultivate our farms no tools to work with more especially those who was not able to purchase them from the store, no way to Cultivate the soil only when our healths was sufficiently Good, to Carry on our ~~farms~~ Agricultural pursuits in person, & that we have had to work for the agent to pay for our support & the support of our families, as soon as we was off from the Colonial assistance, and also for the Goods that was advanced to us in Building our houses and not only so but the percentage we have had to pay has involved us in debt to the agency, from which we are now

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