Letter.
Rev. Leighton Wilson
To
Edward Patterson

J. H. B. Latrobe Esquire
Colonization Office
Baltimore
Md.

Fair Hope Cape Palmas June 25th 1836

Mr Latrobe

My dear Sir. you will probably receive a letter soon from Mr Nicholas Bayard of Savannah Geo in relation to some slaves whom he may wish locate in this settlement as colonists. The slaves referred to are the property of Mr Bayard, Mrs Eckard of Ceylon & my wife. We are anxious that they should emigrate to Africa, but how many of them or whether any at all will wish to do so, is not yet ascertained. I have recommended this colony to Mr B & told him that I thought your Board would favour us in as much as they must be colonized, if within the bounds of your settlement, at private expense. If the expense should be considerable we would be compelled to turn them over to one of the societies which could colonize them gratuitously without infringing their laws & regulations. I do not expect that you could favour us in any way except by granting a parcel of land out here for them, & allowing them

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