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John H. B. Latrobe Esq

Dear Sir

Knowing the interest taken at home in our little community, I shall embrace every opportunity of giving you all of the information in my power, although I may not have many facts of much importance to communicate at each time. I shall begin this communication by giving you a short history of our standing with the natives for a month or two past and at the present, as no doubt, Dr Hall has informed you of our troubles with them at the time he left us. You will recollect that in a former communication I informed you that the Dr. had left us for Monrovia expecting to find an opportunity with more facility from thence, of obtaining a passage to the United States; but was disapointed and returned to this place. When his intention of going home was first made known to King Freeman and his head men, they no doubt thought this a good chance of getting a handsome dash from the Dr, and waited upon him for that purpose, but was disapointed. After the return of Dr. Hall from Monrovia, the inhabitants of one of the small native towns of Cape Palmas, turned out, almost to a man, (as I have since ascertained) and robed several farms belonging to Colonists of almost all of their crops of Potatos. Some hogs also belonging to the Colonists were shot in the large native town, all of which it afterwards appeard was done to recompense Dr. Hall for his neglect of the King and head men in not

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