Cape Sept. 6, 1836.

Rev. Dr. B. Tabob Esqr.

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[illegible] of Sixteen Spanish Dollars [illegible] acknowledgement of the receipt of a letter from you [illegible] on the same vessel. I also received of the box of articles which the Board so kindly presented to me — with the exception of a few articles not mentioned in my receipt for which I shall be most cordially thankful.

Mr. Mc Donald is about to leave us in a week. I fear, leave the Colony in rather a rough state owing to the want of suitable men to conduct its affairs; but, I believe the poor man cannot help it. The manner of men he has to deal with is enough to daunt the firmness of any youth of his experience & years. He has, however, managed the affairs of the Colony as judiciously and discreetly as his years & experience would allow.

Mr. Snetter is not exactly the man that Dr. Hall, as well as myself, expected to find him. He is no doubt very useful in managing the affairs of Government, but his lack of a more perfect knowledge of accounts, renders him incapable of discharging fully the duties of his office as Secretary.

As the books of the Agency have not been attended to since the departure of Mr. & Mrs. Hall, and even then, were much behind hand, owing to ~~[illegible]~~ his absence of about six weeks at Monrovia, I shall be obliged to devote all the leisure time I may have to bringing up the accounts until the arrival of Mr. Ashmun, when if it be not soon, God only knows what will become of us; but as I consider myself one of the founders of the Colony, and am still as much anxious as ever for its welfare, I will use the utmost

Mr. Sept. 1836.
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