David Wilson
Cape Palmas African
To
Rev. Ira S. Easter
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My Dear sir

Little did I expect to write to you more than I have done in another Sheet, but — Sorry I am to record such proceeding as took Place yesterday in the town of Latrobe, and — happen, it appears that a small boy about 14 years of age, secreted himself on board of the Brig Baltimore, which was not found out before they were far from land, of course the Captain detained him on board of his vessel to return him to his owner if he has any, or (as he say) put him in jail untill some body claims him, — the little fellow continued with a boy living at this place to loose the boat about 2 o'clock on sunday morning ventured his life for liberty, came safe into the bay, tied the boat to the wharf, and landed safe on this land, which you has proclaimed a place of liberty about eight o'clock I saw the Capt with some boys soon after they made chase, in fifteen minutes after I heard that he was after a slave boy who had run away. I went out meet the Capt and asked him if the boy was one of his Crew he said not but that he was a going to carry him back on his owner might make him pay for him I left him and