Mrs W unites with me in kind regards to all the members of your family as well as yourself.

Yours in bonds of friendship

J Leighton Wilson

Rev Leighton Wilson
Cape Palmas
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Cape Palmas Jan: 17th 1839.

My Dear Sir,

The brig Oberon leaving this day I could not let slip so excellent an opportunity of informing you of our safe arrival. Myself and family up to date are in good health and have been comfortably fixed in the same a ~~Comfortable~~ House adjoining the long house ~~which~~ we are to occupy untill I get my own up, which I hope will be within six Months from date. I forbear saying any thing about the Colony as I have not been able to form any judgement of the same yet. However all the Colonists, appeared to be very happy on our arrival and many have declared to me their resolution of living & dying in this country, they being so well contented, The tools promised by you and which were to be furnished by Mr Easter was not put on board, perhaps it slipped that Gentlemans Memory to procure them, Could you favour me by having them sent out, I would ~~feel~~ be greatly Obliged. as we feel much the want of them, and there is no possibility of procuring such things here as yet. The suit of Clothes you promised to of us we have ~~not~~ ~~as~~ neither received. we suppose they were forgotten By the Agent; he having much to attend to when we left. You will please attend to it, and instead of heavy Clothing send us such as will answer for summer Wear. My Daughter Charloote 14 years old did not yet ~~her~~ shoes and begs ~~to~~ you will direct they may be sent for her. I have understood from the Governor that they are but little Meat, & Flour, come for use of Emigrants You will excuse my begining to be troublesome at so early a period after my Arrival, but will feel very thankful if you send us a Barrel of Flour. I feel pleasure to state we were kindly treated by the Captn: during the passage he did all in his power to make it Comfortable, My Wife suffered much from sea sickness the whole passage indeed she could not stir without assistance, but since on shore have become quite hearty.

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