To Mr.
Moses Sheppard

Cape Palmas July 10th 1838

Dear Sir

you these few lines hoping we take the liberty of writing that they may find you and family well. we are Happy to tell you that the Colony is at this time injoying good health we are not ashamed to say that ~~that~~ we have to work Hard for our living for without working there is no living in any Country. we are certain that there are many now in the United States that find the times hard, you know that the world likes its own, well then those of the world likes the fashion of the world and it is fashionable to rail out against that Cause which has given us this happy priviledge of being Citizens of Liberia, we expect and know that nearly the people of Color are only with the tounguen and not from the Heart for every six month through all the noise we do behold some thirty or fifty or Eighty coming over to our ranks, our number seem to swell as the flood tide we Bid those that will come God speed

we the undersigned have thought proper to request that you would send us through the governor 200 ~~lb~~ Seen twine with as much Rope as will be sufficient for a seen in proportion, about 2½ or 3 inches with the twine we know that our good patrons will give it their room

We further agree and bind ourselves to pay over to the agent or governor the amount of the Cost in the currency

D. Delaney
Cape Palmas Africa

To
Mr. M. B. Patrick Esq
July 7th 1838.

For John B Latrobe
Baltimore
Maryland

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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