much more than repay all the expenses". Mr Wilson also informed me that the Dutch were transporting natives to their possessions in Batavia. Harris made agreement with the chiefs near their fort to supply them with a certain number.

American Settlements.

It is now about eighteen years since the first settlement was purely established at Cape Mesurada by the American Colonization Society. unaided by the Government except by the occasional visit of a vessel of war. And if during that period, the slave trade has not been wholly abolished from the whole line of coast to which the name of Liberia has been given; it need neither be a subject of wonder nor cavil. seeing that even the existence of forts, backed by the aid and support of the British Navy, have not succeeded until 1830 in doing so, over a smaller extent of territory. And certainly if there is room for complaining of the want of "adequate support in the one case, there is much more in the other. At no period of the Societies existence have the receipts exceeded sufficiently the immediate wants of each successive expedition to enable them to devote any thing to the general improvement of the colony, or place it in a respectable condition even in the eyes of the natives. The colonists beheld a society to whom, ~~to whom~~ they looked for the permanence of law and the security of right & property become bankrupt. with a consequent decrease of

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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