Missionaries are consequently breaking up their Establishments, and leaving the Colony. From some of the American Trading Captains on the Coast, they have heard of the openings on the banks of the "Gaboon", and some of them, Messrs Wilson and Griswold, are gone down to commence operations there. These two excellent men spent several days with us here, and I have been highly gratified with their company and with the fine spirit they have manifested. As it is utterly impossible for us to do anything at the "Gaboon" unless we have a very considerable reinforcement from England, I have done all I can to aid them in this matter, by giving them a letter of introduction to Captain Tucker of H.M. Frigate "Iris", and by writing to Bristol and Liverpool, to facilitate their communications with their Board of Missions in the United States. Fortunately Messrs Walton and Allen were both at Cape Coast with us at the time Messrs Griswold and Wilson were here, and I trust the interchange of good feeling has been such as to make us all deeply interested in each others future welfare and prosperity. The most painful thing connected with their leaving Cape Palmas is the idea of so much valuable time and labour being lost in reducing the Grebo language to some practical use, during the last eight years. They have recently lost two Brethren and one Sister by death, and Mrs Wilson is obliged to leave for the United States on account of failure of health. Their trials have been in some respects greater than our own, but they are not discouraged.

Believe me, &c.
(signed) J. B. Freeman.

Rev. J. Beecham.

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