Dr James Hall
Gen'l Agent
M. S. C. S.
Per Chipola
Capt Freeman
Baltimore
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Respondence Sent Yes

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Cape Palmas, Jany 16, 1845

My Dear Sir,

The sailing of the Chipola this day only affords me an opportunity of taking a birds-eye-view of the important matters contained in your despatches of Nov 12, 1844. As your Agent, I am bound to follow your instructions, & that I do follow them, if not through fire, at least thro. water, all your colonists can testify if necessary. I write also to Dr. Hall by this vessel, & some matters contained in his letter, need not be repeated here, as both are official.

A meeting of the Council will be called on the 20th inst. when the Resolutions of the Board & "the supplement to the ordinance" will be laid before them & published immediately after as the laws of the Colony.

To your enquiries about Fish Town, I reply that I have not been able only to purchase some timber for the Agency house from the want of means: and of course, could hold out no inducements to colonists to remove thither. Dr. Savage has lately located himself there and repaired the old Mission house erected by Dr Wilson. He may have put up another building. A copy of the survey taken by Lieut Craven of the U. S. Brig Porpoise has been been sent me by Commodore Perry, who has really, proved himself friendly to our Colony by forwarding various kinds of seeds from Cape de Verde & Madeira. He has also been liberal enough to recommend to the Secretary of the Navy that the Government patronage should be equally divided between the two Colonies.

Since the Bennity affair, the visits from the Squadron have been seldom & then perhaps they would remain only a few hours, while they spend

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