Cape Palmas July 26, 1845

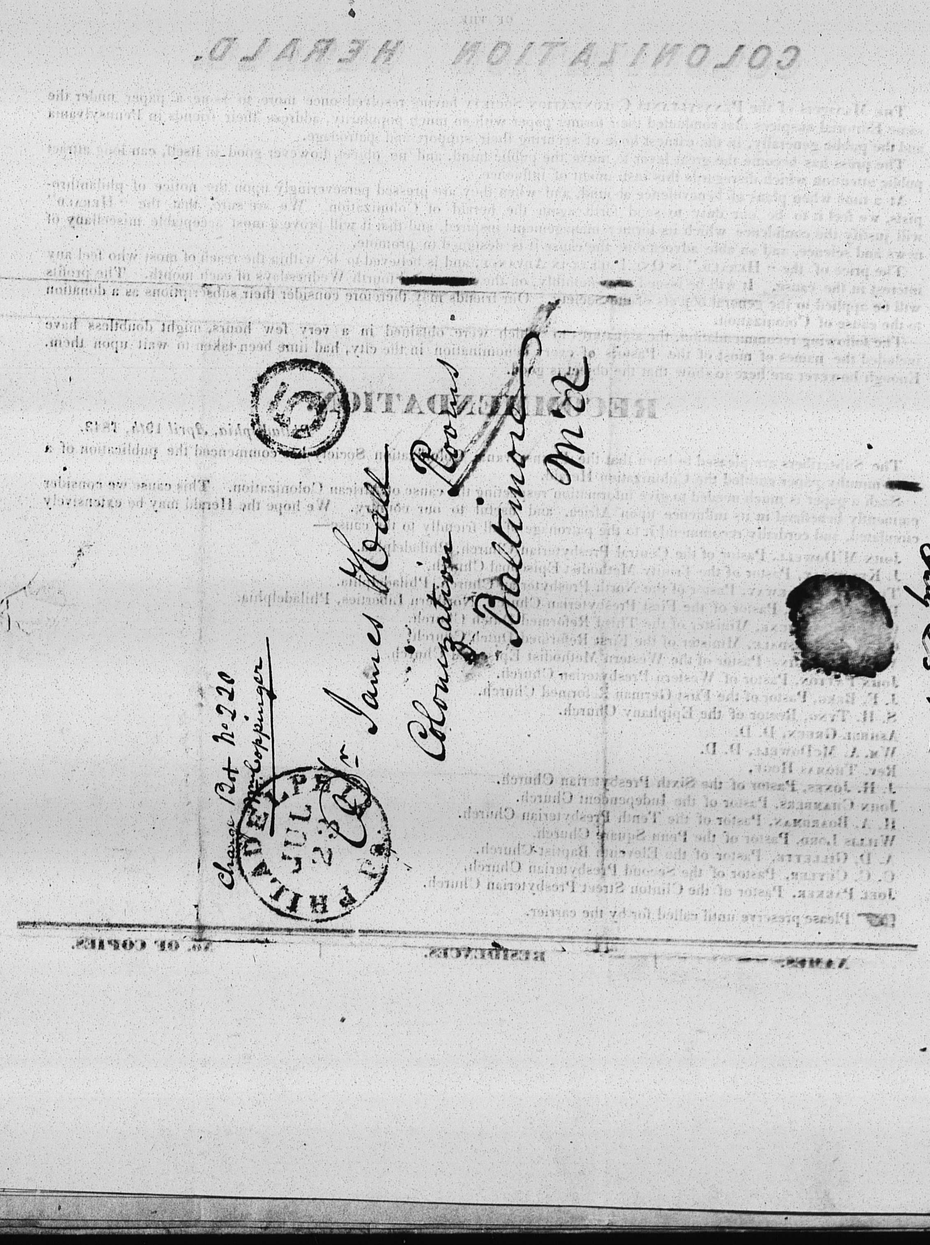
Dr James Hall
Cpt. U. Md S. C. S.

Dear Sir,

As the sailing of the R. Shaw of Providence affords an opportunity, I embrace it to inform the Board of our welfare. Our Camwood trade is daily improving, and a knowledge of the colony extending into the farthest interior, the capabilities of our colony are still unknown, as far as oil & Camwood are concerned. I do hope, the Board will take into consideration the great results to be expected from an efficient exploring party. The expense would be nothing compared to an extension of our trade. I want means & instructions.

You will be sorry to hear that Mr Groff's health has been such as to prevent him from keeping school: & to remedy in part his loss, I have established a free school for little girls from 4 to 12 years of age. It would gratify me all, if some arrangement could be made to secure Mr James as Teacher for the Ladies School. Sorry am I to say, that Mr Groff is sadly deficient in his education.

Our duties come in slowly under our new Revenue



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