copperas, lamp-black & one Barrel fish oil for Shadrach Smith who is the tanner. A new spirit of improvement is abroad in the colony, and almost every family is planting a little cotton. The Tubmans beg me to write for fresh seed, green & black. We are determined to make cloth in 1846, as well as our neighbors the Pahs. I therefore take the liberty to remind you again, that we need greatly 1 box cotton cards (1 pair for every family) and 12 Spinning wheels at least. We have no looms — one complete, and as the Kish weave plaids with, would be very acceptable, & serve as model to make others by.

For our schools, we need 12 doz. Gallaudet & Horton's Spelling books & 12 doz Testaments. I cannot close this letter without saying, that your Agent is greatly indebted to Rev. A. Herring (our preacher for the last two years,) for seconding all his efforts to infuse into the colonists a Spirit of improvement in agriculture & manufactures. He has been to us a real diamond. I hope he may be continued another year.

For months we have been without nails, only 10 kegs came out in the Chipola.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obdt. Serv't.
Jno. B. Russwurm
Acting S.C.S.

P.S. Of the 20 emigrants landed from Chipola at Bafoo 8 have died — of the 30 landed here, one man of the name of Flanaghan.

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