our children & youth shall receive in our free schools. If another Franklin or Bowditch is to appear, he must receive the rudiments of his education in our free schools, and enjoy in his boyhood & youth more advantages than poor B. Banneker. Travel through New England and way make no two, the good man's heart is gladdened with the sight of the district school house, and what is the result? They are more intelligent than any other upon the earth. May we not expect the same result, if we follow closely in the same path here in Africa?)

The time, I think, has arrived when we should have a small printing press in the colony. Are there not benevolent individuals enough at the North to give one to the colony. Our laws & ordinances need to be printed, for many can read print who cannot writing. Every man ought to have a copy in his house. We are in much need of more Codes - as the 25 sent out have been distributed years ago, and those owning them, will hardly let them go out of their houses. Those in want are now willing to pay for their copies. Please to send me 25 more.

It would not be amiss to send me out more currency, as with the increase of business, the generally cry is the want of currency. For it, I sell goods as cheap as I do to the natives for camwood on credit. I want bills of $1. - 50 cts and 25 cents only. I have not forgotten your request to have my views upon the circulation of better paper money, based on some capital in the colony.

I cannot close without thanking the Board for sending out the Brass piece, the spinning wheels & cards - & the Turning lathe. Cloth is made in Africa, and it must be made at Cape Palmas & worn too. Many of the lawyers have requested me to send for whipsaws & files. I hope one dozen at least will be sent in the next packet, as they really need them.

Accompanying you will receive the semi-annual acct up to June 30 1846 —

2. Copies of deeds from native Kings to Leeward
3. Proceedings of the Agent & Council during 1846
4. Copy of Proclamation on annexation of native tribes

I shall take special care to have a general report of the condition of the colony made up as early as possible, such as the Board want. The resolution of the Board as regards the salaries of the Colonial Physician & the Assistant P. has been communicated to each. Dr Fletcher's salary is fixed at five hundred dollars.

I have received no resolution of the Board, relieving me from the office of Chief Judge of the Court of Q. Sessions as I had reason to expect.

I have the honor to remain
Your Obdt Svt
Jno. B. Pinnock
Actg. S. C. S.

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