

Colonization Office, Boston, Sept. 21. 1847

Dear Sir,

The Rev William Walker, of the Gaboon Mission, has written home, that "There is no missionary labor performed among all the native population of Cape Palmas;" and the Secretaries have published it in the Missionary Herald, in a "Survey of African Missions;" which you may have seen in the African Repository for July, page 214. It was published honestly enough, and without thinking of its inconsistency with what follows on the same page.

Walker will try to get off, by saying that "Cape Palmas;" as he used it, means the little promontory of that name. But that will not do; for the term, as usually understood in such connexions, has a more extensive sense. I wish, however, to examine his assertion in the sense which he will put upon it; and for that purpose, I wish to know, how many "all the native population of Cape Palmas" are; taking the word in his sense of it. Will you tell me, as nearly as you can? If there has been no census, send me a safe guess.

I wish to know, too, how many of the native children from "Cape Palmas" are

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