

Hager Cape Palmas  
March 29 1850

Respected Sir

As the Packet ~~is~~ will leave  
in the morning, I take the opportunity of informing  
you that ~~we~~ ~~are~~ well at present, though I have  
been very sick since the Packet left last voyage.  
Every thing here as usual, We have been twice for-  
sured with a visit from President Roberts of the  
Republic, he left here last Monday in his  
letter, he called Capt. Murray an Englishman to account  
for infringing on the laws of the ~~rep~~ Republic, is trading  
in their territory, without a permit, and also an-  
other English trader. The citizens of the ~~rep~~ Republic  
are sagas for our assumption, with them, our people,  
in general, are opposed to such measures at present,  
and consider <sup>that</sup> steps would be rather premature.

I am not so much for it; yet, I would rather  
go into it voluntarily, than by compulsion.

I hope no measure of coercion will be suggested.

The Colonists are generally well, and are striving  
to guard against any such severe times, as occurred  
in 1847. May we ever be on the "lookout."

I am your obedt servt

Dempsey R. Fletcher

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