

West Africa Herald no Cap Palmas
Mr John B. Latrobe
Dear Sir:
January 4th 1851

I again forward you a letter containing a few remarks
touching upon the various subject. By my so doing, as
I wish to lay them before you individually, I hope you will
not take any offence from it

In the first place after the Liberia Pacthis departure from
Cap Palmas, 2 weeks afterwards or thereabout your Acting
Agent Dr. S. M. will publish a proclamation sent out
by the Board to us. The proclamation speaks of the sub-
ject of declaring an solemn, an Independent State Gov-
ernment. This proposal by the Board seems to have met
our views on this subject, excepting that parts which speaks
of confederation, this part the general appearance of Colonist,
says they, "we are not ready for" yet, the subject of annexation
to the Republic of Liberia proper, and the declaring and
-dies an independent State Government, have ^{been} subjects
of usum discussion among us. public meetings
have held at sundry times for the purpose & have been
well attended. Some month before the publishing of the
Board here, and the question is still in agitation,
the majority appears, and is, an the side of an Independent State Gov-
-ernment & to have all the Right of State, we are a

We are aware that if we have to take the steps the Board
have proposed in the proclamation, our condition will
be bettered 5 fold, but these condition must be, this
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