

Cape Palmas Sept. 1853  
 Mr Doctor Hall.

Dear Sir.

We are rejoiced to hear of Cape Palmas becoming an Independent State, and hope it will prosper. I ~~can~~ write these few lines to accompany our Delegates.

- 1 We send our Delegates to foreign lands,  
 To see the Board and form important plans;  
 By making them a treaty, <sup>which</sup> will demand,  
 Submission, from our citizens and clans.  
 Cassell and Prout! successful be your stay;  
 And may the Lord be with you on your way,  
 And guide you by his power and his might,  
 By putting all the thunder storms to flight.
- 2 Blow on ye winds, and ~~as~~ cause the ship to sail,  
 Stay back ye storms, and let tornadoes fail;  
 Though lightnings flash, and thunders do resound,  
 And all is darkness, in the clouds around,  
 Yet he, who rides upon the wings of wind,  
 To sing whose praise the heavenly hosts <sup>ring,</sup> ~~sing~~  
 He, in the distance speaks, and all is calm—  
 While ship and sailors, pass on unalarmed.
- 3 Stand up like men, and pleasantly contend,  
 With men, whose wisdom up to heaven ascend;  
 Be wise as serpents—cautful what you say,

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II. Correspondence Received  
 A. Letter Books

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