Cape Palmas, June 12, 1854

Dr. James Hall, (53) II A 2)

Dear Sir:

I wrote to you by the barque "Carrier Pigeon of New York, on the 18th ultimo.

Our little ship of State, was set afloat on the 8th inst, — Very bad time to declare our independence — right in the midst of the early rains. After the morning exercises were over, it commenced raining, and did not stop until near evening, when the people began to enjoy themselves in good earnest.

I have had to change my views in reference to the Executive Office. The people would not give me up. I wanted Russel for Governor, and thought I could aid him in the Execution of his duties; but he had no property qualification. —

I informed Dr McGill on my return home that you were so busy at the time of my leaving Baltimore, that you could do nothing about the dock for the Natives; but would write by the way of England. — As no letter came to hand, the Doctor ventured to place a few articles in my hands for the natives of Palmas, Exclusively. It was afterwards thought best to give but half of it

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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