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Monrovia June 17, 1854

Dr. Sir. Hall
Agt. Md. St. Col Soc

Dear Sir

I left Cape Palmas on the 14th inst. and arrived here this morning.

Mr Gibsons letter of appointment as Agent of the Society was delivered to him on the 1st inst, on which day his service commenced; the Salary agreed upon was Five Hundred Dolls per Annum, subject to the approval of the Board of Managers.

The Constitution for the "State of Maryland in Liberia" with the clause prohibiting traffick in ardent Spirits was adopted by the people, on the 29th ultio. and on the [illegible] inst the following gentlemen were elected to the different offices under under the same viz

Governor Wm A. Prout. Lieut. Gov. B. J. Drayton
Senator, J. J. Gibson; A. Wood; Thomas Fuller & Jno. B. Bowen.
Delegate, Danl. J. Wilson; Chas. Harmon; John Cooper, Henry Pinkett and John E. Hotton. High Sheriff Samuel J. Reynolds, Coroner, Peter Scisco.

Thomas Mason is appointed Secretary of State.

The Governors inauguration took place on the 8th inst, when your Agent, by whom he was sworn into office, relinquished the government into his hands.

On the 9th the Governor of the State was presented to the Native chiefs; after saying all that was necessary to them in relation to the changes that had taken place in the Government they were presented with a dash by Governor Prout of the following articles of Merchandise, which were furnished by your Agent, and will be thus accounted for by Mr Gibson

1.5 Kegs W. B. Gun Powder; 100 pounds Tobacco
4 pr. Boots Bath; 6 pr. Satin Stripe; 1 Bl Rum; 2 do Gin
2 Boxes Pipes; 6 doz Hats. with which they were pleased, and satisfied.

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11. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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