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Doctor James Hall

Hon. Sir

By the Shirley I received a box of medicines which was sent out I suppose for the Emigrant who we are looking for the arrival of daily. I gave Doctor McGill a list of medicine, at his request, which he was to have sent by the Linda Stewart. I am not certain that he did so. and as he has left this State, I inclose a list copied from the one I gave him. I suppose that in future medicine like other thing furnished by the Society will be for the use of Emigrants during their sickness. I would like to make arrangement to procure medicine at my own expense so that I may have to dispose to the Colonist who may be in need at times. there was much suffering during the last year for want of medicine, I purpose taking measures to remedy that in future. Our State Government is now organized & the officers are engaged in making rules & regulation, to enhance the prosperity of the state I sincerely hope that their efforts may be crowned with success. though the point at which we are aiming appears to be well in the distance diligence & perseverance will cause us to eventually reach the desired haven then, and not till then will we achieved the design for which we hen came & claimed as our abiding place.

Wishing you the best health I remain
Your obdt Svt
Dempsey R. Fletcher

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