the Chiefs to the beach, returning to their temporary homes. And, as I passed the wigwams of their principal town, I observed two of the old women silently weeping.

With regard to the terms of peace, I beg to refer you, Sir, to the agreement concluded between the Commissioners and the Chiefs. A copy of which may be had, I presume, on application to the Secretary of State. The principal stipulations, however, are that they are to receive from the Government certain articles of merchandise, amounting to between nine hundred and a thousand dollars; to be allowed to occupy certain plots of land near the river mouth, and any the plain near Mr Harris's, at Marshal Teacher. They were required to return the field piece, captured from the party and the boat, and to pay two hundred cows of price to Bishop Payne for the destruction of property at Mount Vaughn. The object of this last stipulation is simply, to impress the idea of respect for Missionaries and Mission property.

As to the annexation of the State of Maryland in Liberia to this Republic, I can only say, Sir, it was a measure, as far as I know, wholly spontaneous and the part of the citizens of that State. They thought that their prosperity and future prosperity and happiness demanded it. By an act of the General Assembly, on petition of the citizens, the subject was submitted to the people — polls were opened — and the question decided in the affirmative by a unanimous vote. I heard, however, that there were, perhaps, some half dozen citizens opposed to the measure, but did not vote. The vote was against

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