

Charter Cape Palmas  
September 16 1859  
Doctor James Hall.

Dear Sir

Embrace  
the opportunity via England to inform you that  
we here at Palmas are still endeavoring to  
move onward amidst the many difficulties  
we have to contend with. Since the annexation  
of this County to the Republic of Liberia  
there have been very unpleasant feeling and  
expressions by some of our Palmas friend  
they suppose that there was some advantage  
taken from the fact that Ft Palmas was  
allowed equal representation in the lower  
house of Congress with Sinoe & Bassa.  
The question have put to me as to whether  
should not contend for further representation  
and as often I gave it as my candid opinion  
that it would be well for the Republic of  
Liberia if they allowed but two persons from  
each County to legislate and that when  
we could by exporting our produce raise  
a revenue sufficient to pay our officers  
then not till then would we be really inde-  
pendent. There is but little said about politics  
now. Doctor Martin R Delany left here yester-  
day on his way to Yoruba - while here he  
went up Cavalla River as far as the falls  
and would have went farther but it being  
very rainy he had to stop. He told me that  
he was much pleased with the land up the  
River and his promise to proceed to the lower  
was the reason why he did not proceed further.  
Mr. London Evans & his family are well. Rev. C. Hoff  
Man leaves tomorrow for United States via England  
Respectfully yr Obedt Servt  
D. R. Fletcher

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II. Correspondence Received  
A. Letter Books

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