Cape Palmas June 15. 1862

Dear Doctor

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Geo. in the "Palmas" has not yet arrd here nor have I heard from him since about 1st ultto Monrovia, when he advised that I should retain all letters, papers, & freight until his arrival here in a few weeks, but I thought it best to forward letters etc, to Since retaining Dry Goods from B. Shipley & Co until Geo's arrival, his long detention above this leads me to infer that he is doing well in collecting P. Oil, as I learn that it was plentiful in the Bassa Country, and guess on his arrival here his vessel will be either full or very nearly so. unless he has Tobacco for sale he is not likely to get any Oil at this place our Oil season is only medium the great scarcity of Rice and want of food amongst the interior tribes has prevented its being an abundant one up to this time I have been able to supply our whole Colony with rice having sold and given away 1700 Croos in the last 3½ Mos, otherwise there would have been great suffering among our Colonists as no one else had a Croo of Rice to dispose of, and Potatoes or Cassada were not to be had, but I am glad now that the natives near us have comenced outting their early crops which will in some degree relieve us from a total failure in the supply of the article Dear Doctr. I think this place will be a failure

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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