To the Right Revd
John Payne
Bishop of Africa
Cape Palmas

Dear and Revd Sir,

This letter will introduce to you Lieutenant Lynch of the United States Navy, who visits Africa for views connected with the promotion of the interests of all the Colonies there from this country which he will fully explain to you.

Lieutenant Lynch has already won an honorable fame in his Dead Sea Exploration, and will I am sure receive at your hands all the countenance and aid which may be in your power to afford.

Commending him to you in the warmest manner.

I remain
Dear and Right Revd Sir.
with the sincerest respect & reverence
Your friend & Servt.
Jno. H. B. Latrobe
Prest Md St. Col. So.

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To
Dr Samuel Ford McGill
Acting Gov of Md in Liberia
(or in the event of his absence to the head of the Colonial Govt. for the time being)

Dear Sir,

This letter will be handed to you by Lieutenant Lynch of the United States Navy, who, influenced by philanthropic and patriotic views, desires to promote under the auspices of his government, the acquisition of accurate knowledge as well of the coast as of the Natives of Liberia. For this purpose the secretary of the Navy has placed at his disposal a vessel of the African Squadron.

The close connection between the object of Lieutenant

Lynch's visit to Africa, and the best interests of our colony, requires that every thing should be done by us to forward his views — and you will therefore consider this letter as authorising you to render any and every assistance to him which the Colony can afford.

I have the honor to be most respectfully
Jno. H. B. Latrobe
Pres. Md St. Col. So.

Dr Saml. F. McGill
Harper
Cape Palmas.

My dear doctor —

I have given to Lieutenant Lynch an appeal letter to you — this I beg you will consider as a private one — that I may introduce you personally to a gentleman that I am sure you will like and to whom you can with your knowledge and experience render the most important service. I am certain you will like him much, and I take great pleasure in making you known to each other.

Most truly Dr. Doctor
and most respectfully
Jno. H. B. Latrobe

Balt. Oct 29. 1852.

Hon'ble. Wm Capell
Judge &c &c &c
Cape Palmas

Dear Sir

Allow me to introduce to you Lieutenant Lynch of the United States Navy who visits Africa on matters of interest which he will explain to you. Any service you can render to him will be truly acknowledged by

Yours most respectfully
Jno. H. B. Latrobe

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