are unwilling to believe. The statement is expressly denied by him, and Mr McGill has no knowledge of any instance of the kind, and thinks it was generally understood by the Colonists that they had a right to petition, and that any communication they might wish to make, would be forwarded to the Board of Managers. There should be no misunderstanding upon this point - The Colonists should be distinctly informed that their respectful applications would at all times be received and properly attended to by the Board.

On the subject of supplies from the public store there has no doubt been a difference of opinion between the late agent and many of the Colonists, arising perhaps from the difference of their circumstances. Their wish was to obtain as much aid as possible; and his policy was to compel them to exert themselves, to rely upon their own industry and to lean as little as possible on public support. In pursuing this policy, we are persuaded he was actuated by the purest motives, and an anxious desire to promote the welfare of the Colony. With respect to the prices of goods at the public store, your committee would recommend that without departing materially from the established market prices the Colonists should at all times be furnished with building materials, provisions, and articles of clothing wanted for their own use - at the lowest rates at which those things are usually sold on the coast

Your Committee find that the complaint made by Dr Holmes against Capt Perry, for his bad conduct on the voyage to Cape Palmas is fully sustained by Capt Gould, but he states that he regarded the dispute between Dr Holmes & Capt Perry in relation to the passage money as a personal affair in which Dr Hall could not with propriety have interfered: and we are persuaded that nothing could have been gained, and much inconvenience might have arisen from his engaging in the quarrel - The letter of Dr Hall of the 26th February referred to by Dr Holmes has not been received - and of course your committee can say nothing to that header of his communication, except that Dr Hall disclaims having said any thing derogatory to Dr Holmes, or that was intended to injure him -

With respect to the appointment of Stuart as Physician to the Emigrants by the Fortune Dr Hall states that no such appointment even was made: That he was merely employed as a kind of attendant to visit the sick, carry medicines, administer them, attend on the sick and make his report, but without any authority to prescribe - Mr McGill confirms this statement, and says the appointment was so understood by the Colonists generally. Dr Hall admits that he was not a competent person even for the purpose intended - but states the best that could be obtained

As to the Crates of Mugs mentioned Dr Hall

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