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On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society be presented to the Hon. Mr. Latrobe and the Rev. Dr. Sunderland, for their able addresses last evening, and that they be requested to furnish copies for publication.

The Society then adjourned, to meet in the city of Washington on the third Tuesday in January, 1862.

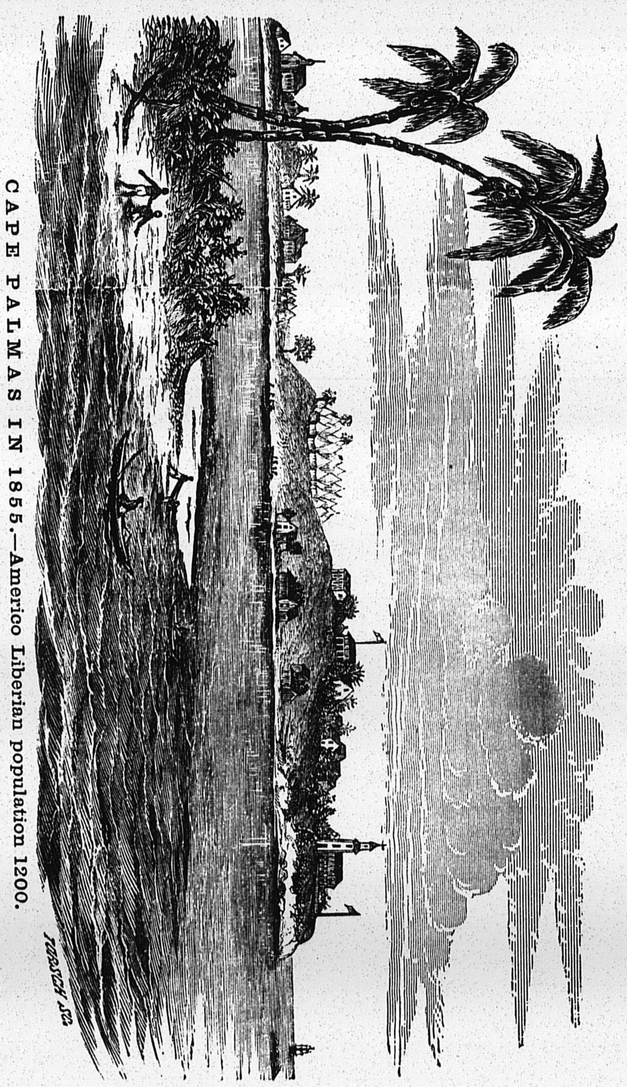
The annexed cut of Cape Palmas in 1855, is taken from a copy of an original painting, by a colored artist, at that time a resident of Liberia. The Cape is sixty-nine feet high. The mouth of the River (Hoffman) is less wide than indicated by the cut, and is navigable in the dry season by Boats for five or six miles only. The channel over the bar is narrow, but deep enough at high water for the passage of vessels of from twenty to forty tons. Those of larger tonnage find safe anchorage in from seven to ten fathom water outside and just above the reef of rocks, seen in the picture. The bottom is good and the wind never blows strongly towards the shore.

Adjoining the Light-house is the large Orphan Asylum, erected a few years since by the Protestant Episcopal Missionary Society, and now under the control of the Rev. C. C. Hoffman. The conical Huts on the Cape proper, indicate the site of the large native town in which the native kings resided up to 1856, when the town was burned by the Colonists in their first and only war with the natives. The king now lives in a town which is located on the north bank of Hoffman River less than two miles above the Cape, and contiguous to "Hoffman Station," a cut of which was given in the November number of this Journal.

The town of Harper, on the Cape proper, contains the Government House, the colonial and several other fine stone warehouses, besides a number of private residences. Further inland is to be seen St. Mark's Episcopal Church with the adjoining brick school house, and Fair Hope, the site of the first mission station at Cape Palmas—also the Methodist Church, in the rear of which is the Mission House, and a fine two story stone school house. These are the chief ornaments to the little village of Latrobe, which is scarcely represented in the cut, as the houses were hid from the artist's view by the hill which arises high and abruptly from the river bank.

From Latrobe, the Maryland Avenue, a good wagon road stretches directly inland for five miles past the public farm and jail—the Baptist Mission Station—Mount Vaughan, the first Episcopal Station at Cape Palmas, still occupied and flourishing under the charge of Colored Teachers, and the village of Mount Tubman, and many of the best farms in the settlement. Between the Maryland Avenue and the ocean lies Sheppard's Lake, a fine sheet of water, extending ten or twelve miles from the village of Latrobe, towards Half Cavalla.

The soil on the Cape is thin and unproductive, because of the salt spray which is often blown over it, but inland it is deep, rich and susceptible of a high degree of cultivation.



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