

with him to England; and my friends in the colony will I hope give me something to eat while on the Bottom of the Ocean. These things having occurred unsought for, have lead me to conclude of coming with him. And when I shall arrive if the committee conclude on sending me out again, the expenses will be about the same as if I went from Africa.

The above are some of the reasons which have lead to the conclusion, but not all, others will be evident to the Committee. I cannot deny, but that it will greatly me very much to stand before you, and see them of the wonderful works of God in my native land. I also am desirous of attempting to direct for the attention of some whose hearts overflow with Christian benevolence to the objects of Missionary labour in Western Africa.

[I am greatly obliged by the grant of Fifty pounds per Annum for the instruction of recaptured children. We have nearly finished the wall of a stone Chapel 30 by 20 in Congo Town, in which we shall be able to teach the children to read, & the adults to pray. There is no other place of worship near, and I calculate that there are about 50 or 60 Children, & 3 or 400 Adults within a mile of the place. We have sent in a petition to His Excellency the ~~Comm~~ Council, to grant us the land on which it stands & an allotment sufficient for a Hut in which the school-master Moses Brown-Moy Brog, whom I have taught to read & write may live in. He is an apprentice; a recaptured negro & truly fears God.]

We scarcely know how we must pay for the building but now the first fifty pounds will help us out of our difficulty as fortunately our schoolmaster will cost us no more than his usual food & raiment & a little pocket money. You must know we have ~~not~~

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