

Letter requesting
a Suppliment
to Wm Allen Esq. Sir

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The honorable situation which
you fill in the African Institution, and the person-
al interest you have taken in the Affairs relating
to the happiness of this Country, has induced me to
address in behalf of this most neglected but most
important Settlement on the West Coast of Africa.
It is now nearly six years since this place, Senegal
was rendered to the British Troops under Major, now
Lt. Col. Maxwell. It contains about ten or eleven
thousand Souls, exclusive of a British Garrison
of four hundred men, and since its capture, has
been completely destitute of every possible appear-
ance of religion. I dare say you will be surprised
when I inform you, that during the above period,
we have neither had a Schoolmaster, nor Minister
in the Place, not even a Chaplain for the Garrison.
And when one takes into consideration the situ-
ation of the place, and the population of its Inhab-
itants, together with the Garrison, it is truly
astonishing, that your, and other Benevolent
Societies, should seek out for places of far less im-
portance, and greater distance, such as Sierra Leone
and the Cape of Good Hope. There is a healthy African
Settlement, situated near the mouth of the Senegal,
only twenty, or twenty five days sail from England,
by which it carries on a trade upwards of one thousand
miles, into the Interior. It annually sends from six-
ty to seventy Vessels to Gullam to purchase Corn,
Gold, Gum and Ivory. I merely mention this
to shew, that it might be made a point from
which might flow the tidings of our glorious

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