

DEED FOR MARYLAND IN LIBERIA.

Know all men by these presents, that for considerations hereinafter mentioned, we King Freeman, alias Farmah, of Cape Palmas; King Will, alias Weah Boleo, of Grahway; and King Joe Holland, alias Baphro, of Grand Cavally; have granted and sold, and do by these presents grant and sell to the Maryland State Colonization Society of Maryland, in the United States of North America, the following tract of land, of which we are at this time lawfully seized, by right of possession and descent, viz: commencing on the sea beach about three miles to the North-west of Cape Palmas at a cocoanut tree, known as the large cocoanut, separating this territory from that of the King of Rock Town; thence running in about an East-north-east direction, one day's journey, until it shall reach the territory of Gavah, King of the interior, from thence running east-south-east six hours walk, until it shall reach the town of King Tom, on the Cavally river, then down the Cavally river to its mouth; then running along the beach, passing the town of Cavally, Grahway, and Cape Palmas, to the point of starting, viz: the large cocoanut tree; including all the rivers, bays, creeks, anchorages, timber and mines on the same, excepting as follows, a tract of land deeded and given some time since, by the above named King Will, alias, Weah Boleo, of Grahway, to King Yellow Will, of Little Cavally. Also, excepting so much of the said territory as is now under cultivation by the inhabitants thereof, or such places as are occupied by us or our dependants as towns and villages; reserving also the right of passing and repassing up and down all rivers and creeks, and of traversing all sections of the country, not inhabited by colonists of the said society; the said society to have and to hold the said land for its own special benefit and behoof forever; and we do agree to warrant and defend the same against the claims of all persons whatever; and it, the said society, shall have power, by its factors or agents, to exercise all authority in the above named territory, reserving to ourselves and our descendants, the right of governing and setting all palavers among our own people, so long as we shall see fit to occupy any part of said territory. And we do hereby acknowledge ourselves as members of the colony of Maryland in Liberia, so far as to unite in common defence, in case of war or foreign aggression.

We do also acknowledge the receipt of the following articles of merchandize of James Hall, Esq, agent of the said society, and governor of said territory, as a full and ample compensation therefor, viz.: 4 cases of muskets, 20 kegs of powder, 110 pieces of cloths, 10 neptunes, 10 brass kettles, 20 hats, 100 cutlasses, 200 lbs. of beads, 1500 lbs. of iron pots, 6 dozen looking glasses, 4 framed ditto, 24 iron bars, 100 trade knives, 100 wash basins, 3 hhds. of tobacco, 50 tumblers, 50 wine glasses, 2 kegs of flints, 6 dozen locks, 24 decanters, 10 boxes pipes, 24 stone jugs, 10 demijohns, 3 suits of clothes, 3 cocked hats, 25 razors in cases, 50 pitchers, 50 mugs, 50 bowls, 3 pair of brass barrell'd pistols, 1000 fish hooks, 50 pair of scissors, 50