that now threatens the entire destruction of our Church -

We are well aware that the greater part of your time for the first two years or more will be taken up by attending to the long neglected state of the Church but we will be entirely satisfied with the very small part of your time, that can be allotted to us

We have not a large congregation but quite a respectable one can offer you a good and convenient Parsonage and a Salary of $1000 per annum -

I hope to be present at the Consecration in Baltimore, in the meantime at a leisure moment shall be very glad to hear from you

I am Revd & Dear Sir with great Esteem & respect your Friend

Eg Dorsey

To the Revd Dot. Mullenghan

Baltimore

The answer

Baltimore Sept. 24. 1840.

Dear Sir

I do say that I am flattered by the communication made to me by you in behalf of the Vestry of the Parish of Saint John in Hagers Town in an date of the 18inst would be to say too little -

I am deeply grateful for the confidence reposed in me by that communication under the circumstances in which it was made, altho I had previously made up my mind, and had given a definitive and as I thought final answer to the intimation of the same proposition made to me some time since by Mr. Hoffman of this City - I took it again into consideration on the receipt of yours and only on mature deliberation resolved again, as I had already previously concluded that duty points to Baltimore, as the residence, where I can best discharge my duty to the diocese, for which I have become answerable to God, and therefore

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