was made decidedly favorable and about thirty members added to the Society. The meeting was opened with prayer by an Episcopal clergyman. a Reformed Methodist clergyman officiated as clerk of the meeting and took his seat "within the Altar" by invitation of the preacher in charge of Meth. Episcopal Church. The like of which had never before been seen since the season in the Church

In regard to the most important part of mission - the procuring of emigrants - I have not any thing definite. There are some 30 or 40 in Chester-Town & its neighbourhood who talk very strongly of going, and we have there some active friends who will advise you of any important movement that may be made

It would be well for you to send to Chester Town by Capt. Mathews some copies of the last address. And while I think of it let me suggest to you the propriety of heading some advertisement in the paper with some attractive title, such as "Emigration to Liberia" - "African Colonization" or the like. I am now on the way Centreville where the Court is in session. From there I will go to Denton. Thence to Easton &c

I will constantly keep you advised of my movements and would be glad to hear frequently from you

I would be pleased if you would send to me at Easton (or Centreville if it can be done within three days) a large quantity of the last year's "addresses" & of the "Voice from Africa" I think I can place them where they will do us more service than they can do us by being in Latrobe's Closet. I would of course be glad to receive "any quantity" of any new publications which you may have on hand

This is written in the midst of great confusion on Board of the Steam Boat by

Your friend

R. S. Finley

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A. Letter Books

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