Philadelphia Oct. 22. 1833

My dear Sir

I received yours of the 21st inst. this evening and immediately called upon such of the members of the Board as I could to lay it before them and consult upon the measures to be adopted. You will I fear be disappointed when I tell you that we are all of opinion that we cannot with propriety do what you desire. We are, as a society auxiliary to the Am. Col. Soc. and pledged to contribute our funds & our efforts for its support, and although we wish well to your undertaking and shall be glad to see its success, we cannot at this time join in any act which will interfere with the operations of the Parent Society. When Mr Gurley was in this city on his way to the Eastward he met several of our gentlemen to whom he stated his desire to make an effort to raise funds in this place on his return and received from them an assurance of aid. And it would scarcely be in good faith to enter into a measure which would completely forestall him in any attempt he might make after your collection. We do not think that

Thos Boyd
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Advise of action the Committee visiting Philad.

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