Letter 23 April 1836
Rev. Geo. M. Pinkney
to
Jno. McKenney

Rev. William McKenney
Agent of State Colonization
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Rev. Pinkney
to
Mr. McKenney

My Dear Sir,

Morrison's Book Store.
April 23rd. 1836.

Most sincerely do I regret that a few moments only should have prevented that interview which was the object of yr visit to Alexandria. Had Dr Keith had delivered yr request as soon as he arrived at the Seminary I should have had time to have reached here before you left. Now I say that it was with emotions of joy I ran over the contents of your deeply interesting letter rendered so in part by the discouraging character of your first letter to me. As I went along through the latter part of it, I could but think, and I trust with some degree of gratitude to my Heavenly Father, here is a confirmation of the truth of what I had written to yr in the concluding part of my last letter. that if we will only faithfully use the means looking not to our own wisdom or strength for success but to the promises of our Covenant God, ~~and~~ we may comfort our hearts with the assurance that he will not withhold his blessing altho it may not come at the time nor in the way we ~~may~~ had expected. I give you my hearty thanks, My Dear Sir, for the deep interest which your letter and your conduct both manifest ~~for~~ in the welfare of my dear servants dear to me they truly are. You are spending your life in a noble cause and whatever may be the benefit accruing thereto ~~by~~ from your individual efforts, I have no doubt but you will reap, even in this poor world, a rich harvest of reward. ~~which to~~ May the blessing of God attend all your efforts and may his Holy Spirit be ever presiding over & directing the Counsels of those who are

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