effort to disabuse their minds of prejudice against Liberia. With Mr Hollingsworth's servant in particular I used more than ordinary pains to obtain their consent: but owing to a desire to tell them an important secret, that they should be free on my hire (the amiable good natured creatures much preferred staying here and of course so far as my wish to them was concerned it went for nothing). I need not say that I felt a little vexed at a course of conduct so injudicious as that pursued by Mr H from whom I had caught to expect a better knowledge of human nature.

From Elkton I came to Lin St. Evan's near Havre de Grace from whom the Society may expect much valuable assistance; and being unable to cross the Susquehanna at the ferry I proceeded up the River and spent the night with the Rev Wm Finney of Harford, who kindly invited me to preach to his congregation on Colonization and promised me his aid in extending the views of the Society.

In closing this communication I can readily anticipate such questions as you would feel disposed to ask. 1st Have you collected any funds? No. Have you organized any Societies on the Eastern Shore? none. Have you collected any emigrants? none. Then what have you done? I answer, my time has been most diligently employed in directing the attention of the community to the importance of the Colonization enterprise; a measure indispensable to future success. The great defect in the previous operations of the Society is, that they have lived by faith — a faith which was based wholly upon the supreme excellence of the cause itself. Hence they expected that men every where would become practical Colonizationists, without the trouble of preaching and explaining the doctrines. Hence it has varied in the degrees of success, only because there was a little labour bestowed at one time or place than another. Hence is the impression of some that the work goes on fast enough for the greatness of the enterprise. I beg the Board to bear in mind the measures which we consider essential to the propagation of the doctrines of Christianity. Men were every where prejudiced against them, as the coloured population are now against the Colonization scheme. To remove those prejudices by instruction was the business of the apostles and then success was always in proportion to their labours. The human mind is the same now as then: and when the agents

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