at the Courthouse, and was ably assisted by Colⁿ Jenifer the member of Congress from that district and Colⁿ Merrick a member of the Legislature. There was but one sentiment expressed by the numerous assemblage, & that was favorable to Colonization. A very able and influential committee was appointed to draft a Constitution and nominate a Board of Officers and the meeting adjourned to meet the next day. Colⁿ Jenifer gave me assurance that he would not give the business up until he had succeeded in organizing an auxiliary Society.

On my return from Charles County Mr McKenny advised me to visit Mrs Sarah Duvall of Prince George a widow lady who wished to manumit four families of slaves upon condition they would go to Cape Palmas. On my arrival at Mrs Duvall's, I found that a servant, like Mr Hollings worth and Mr Parnhams, had been humored and spoiled until they were unfit to make any thing but servants for strict masters. They opposed the idea of leaving this country and said they would sooner be sold slaves to the South. all my reasoning with them only made them more obstinate, and ultimately convinced me that further labors with them was vain. My subsequent labors in Prince George's County consisted in visiting individuals of influence and in making public addresses to both the white and colored population. Those who have been present at my meetings and heard the addresses have said much good must result to the cause from such efforts, although the fruit may not be seen for a season. My mind has experienced no change in regard to the ultimate reaction in the prejudices of the colored people. Ignorance, and opposition may prevail for a season; but sober views must at no distant day obtain their rightful ascendancy. My greatest vexation has originated in an entire failure to obtain

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