Petersburg Sept 26th 1836

Dear Sir

I avail myself of this opportunity to beg the favour of you to drop me a few lines, informing whether there is a chance of getting Passage to Africa in any vessel that will sail from Baltimore or any Port north of that place. I expected to have been off in the Schooner which sailed from Baltimore in July last but was so unlucky she did not arrive until the day after she sailed; indeed I did not expect she would sail so soon. Knowing the Brig which I named in New York called the Luna, would sail for Africa on 15th July as reported to me by the agent, I hastened to that Port for the purpose of taking passage in the Luna and arrived on the 13th but found she had sailed the fifth ten days sooner than she was reported to sail.

Having understood from a Gentleman a few days ago who had seen Dr. Vance Hall at the Springs, informs me the Doctor's intention is to sail for africa shortly. I am exceedingly anxious, to know whether it is to late, to a passage with him — Sincerely hoping this may find you enjoying good health

I remain Your Most Obt. Servt.
Nelson H. Ellicock

To
John B. Latrobe Esqr
Baltimore City

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