

Elkton Oct. 15th 1836

Dear Sir,

In accordance with promise & your request I write to inform you that all those persons who gave in their names as emigrants to Africa, appear determined to go with the addition of Howard's wife & David James wife, also a fine enterprising young man (single) by the name of Daniel Mahony; I think him an honorable addition to the company: the subject of colonization appears to have lost none of its interest: I think that next year there will be a much larger company, for there are many who talk of going but think they cannot get ready this fall. The prospects are truly flattering, for which thanks be to the God of Nations.

I received yours of the 13th & return our warmest thanks to the officers of the Society for their kind invitation to attend the sailing of the expedition which, most probably we will accept: I have waited until this morning for others that I expected but they have not yet come: 24 in all that will leave from Elkton.

I received yours last night at 11 o'clock; Mr. Holensworth is absent, I do not think it advisable to attempt the formation of a county society so early in the sitting of court as Monday; I would like to become acquainted with the gentleman of your city of whom you made mention, we then could make further arrangements & I will write you.

In very great haste. Affectionately Yours.

J. W. Potts.

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II. Correspondence Received

A. Letter Books

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