Mary Cape Palma
Nov 2. 1837

Rev. Mr. Easton
Balto. U.S.

Dear Sir,

Your very interesting letter dated Oct 10. 1836 per Pilot came safe to hand. It is cheering to us in this distant land, to be informed, that we have friends in the U. States who daily think of and pray for us, and who take a distinct interest in the war, which we are waging, to push forward the cause of this Colony.

You will not be surprised, that in times when difficulties & dangers surround us, we despond a little; and think, that do our best, all our efforts will be in vain. But these are only temporary; as every day's experience gives us a better knowledge of our duty, & the practicability of establishing Colonies on this coast, which in process of time, may realise all the fondest anticipations of their friends. But such is not the labor of one or five years. Time must pass — difficulties are to be met & overcome; the present generation, & perhaps the next, must pass away, before we can with justice look for prosperity to crown our efforts, or the blessing of God rest on our labors. &c ~~which [illegible] the [illegible]~~ &c

An impression would doubtless be great on the minds of the natives to have not one large emigration in a year; but with an unlimited means of accommodation, & attendance, I am decided of the opinion, that the new comers would fare better ~~[illegible]~~ if they came out in small expeditions. We can always manage to have several of the emigrants on their own lots by the expiration of six or 8 months, and thus room is made for the next expedition.

It is really astonishing, how infatuated some of the people of

Will Dr. Easton be good enough to call at the office of the Colonization Society, Baltimore, & receive a letter for him to go by the next conveyance.

J. Mitchell Thos. Lommen
Arlington
Baltimore

If Mr. Easton's engagements will allow him to leave from home at the time mentioned, would not he write for him to go?

Rec'd Nov. 23 1837

Ans. Nov. 27

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