In relation to myself my constitution is much stronger and general health, better than it was twenty years back, my wife and children are equal good health we are all happy in the enjoyment of Liberty such that no person of the Table land can ever boast of in the United States of America If circumstances will admit I should like to pay the United States one more visit in eighteen months or two years time

I trust this will find you all and all my memorable Friends in good health and the cause of the Colony flourishing amongst you

I have the honour to be with much respect your unworthy but devoted Servant

Geo. Ashmun

Rev. Dr. Hall, &c.

Port Conway Dec 26th 1836

Rev & Dear Sir,

When I last saw Dr Hall in Baltimore, he expressed great doubt about the sailing of another expedition in the Spring. This has occasioned me some little uneasiness as I wish by all means to get out in the spring, and I have been anxious to hear from you whether or not the Dr's doubts were well grounded. You will now have it in your power to inform me certainly about this, as also the time of sailing, as the Colonization Society has had its annual meeting ere this time and determined upon the operations of the year. You will greatly oblige me if you will communicate to me any information which you may have on this subject, at Fredericksburg Va, & also send the annual Report of the society. I would also take occasion to inform you that in travelling through Maryland, I saw at Mrs Elizabeth Chapman's in Charles County a young man, wife and four children, who are desirous of going out in the Spring Expedition. I think it probable that more of Mrs C's servants may be induced to go, if their minds could be informed on the subjects. Mrs Chapman would like to Colonize all her servants. I am dear sir yrs truly J. Payne

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