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Mr Easter,

Dear Sir,

I wrote by Mr Latrobe from Philadelphia & since the colored man named in your office, desiring him to engage one or two good colored sailors we he would wish to enter on the same on board the ship, that I contemplate purchasing, and desiring him to repair to this City, and call on me at the Broadway Hotel no 112 Broadway, & can aid me in forwarding the fleet. I have no doubt I can have the ship ready in all November, and I consider it of great importance to have Shaw enter as first mate. Capt Waters, who will go out as Captain, has no doubt that he can instruct Shaw during the first voyage, so that he can take charge to Capt, as much will depend on the success of the experiment. I am very anxious that Shaw is engaged in selecting a crew. Will you my dear Sir, interest yourself in this matter & see Shaw present to them the advantages that this proposition affords them for bettering their own condition, and being instrumental in elevating their colored friends. Let me hear from you soon.

Yours Truly
Sam'l Wilkeson

and oblige yours &c

Sam'l S. Wilcox
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