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Doctor Hall
Office of the Maryland State Col. Society
Baltimore

E. Lloyd Wilkins
June 3d 1841

Easton 2nd June 1841 —

Dear Sir —

Yours of the 26th of May last was not taken out of the Post Office till yesterday — I otherwise would have received an earlier notice — I hope however this will reach you in time for — It is impossible for me to state the exact number of negroes who have obtained permits from the Orphans' Court of our County since the passage of the law of 1831. as we do not keep any record of such permits — My impression however is that about forty have received such permits — The most of that number, I think about thirty, formerly belonged to the Estate of Saml. Harrison dec.d who by Testament & last will manumitted about one hundred — There never has been any attempt in our County to hold in slavery negroes set free by will since 1831. Some obtain permits but the large portion never make application for the same, and notwithstanding are permitted to go at large and enjoy the rights of free negroes — Any information which you may hereafter require will be cheerfully given —

With respect yrs:
A: Price Regr. of Wills T. Cy
for R. H. Deputy

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