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Rev James Hall

Dear Sir, I have been disappointed in the state of excitement existing here and in the adjoining counties on this shore. The cause of Colonization has been much injured by the doings of the slave holding Conventions, and the propriety of making any effort in behalf of our Cause just now seriously questioned by those who always have been, and now are, our firm and fast friends. It is thought that much more can be done when we control them by passing a measure, the policy of which is questioned now for the Colm Soc and another of which the public have not at this moment time to be familiar to direct excited elements into safe and proper channels. Gentlemen do not wish to think favorably of Colonization, and I have been quite embarrassed to know what course to take. I suppose taking a little more time and when my ly. friends will join with operations here or return to Balto as may seem best for the interests of our Cause.

Violent men who have taken ground against the doings of the slave holding Conventions, have, to some extent, confounded Colonization with that Convention and attribute motives to not merely our purpose and interest. I conversed with a gentleman yesterday and he at once presented the Charge of "Bad faith" and insisted that recent events, so far from lessening the importance of African Colonization demonstrated its importance. Showing most clearly that it was the only ~~[illegible]~~ platform on which we could unite and its wise agency thought which anything, or nothing, could be done for the Colored race in this country or in Africa. The building of the Bethel the good

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