the Cause of Colonization should the Board of Managers of the State Society abandon this Cause. It would yield the to the Controll of the State to the abolitionists and drive those who have taken sides against the doings of the Slave holding Convention into their ranks: thus two parties would be formed in the State between whom there would be no question of Compromise and could be no peace untill the Slave holders had forced the institution upon the State; or the opponents of slavery driven it from all our borders. To abandon Colonization, by the Board, would assuredly lose the patronage of the State for the Cause. And here it may not be improper to state that the question is already started whether it would not be best to retain the States appropriation for a few years untill the burdens under which the people labour become less onerous. Would not a withdrawal of the States appropriation for a few years be fatal to Colonization in this State for many, perhaps forever. And should the State at a future day be disposed to carry out the scheme, would not the fact of her having once abandoned her Colony prejudice her operations. I think it would. Equally unfavorable must be the withdrawal of the the agents of the Colonization Society. The people would consider the cause abandoned. Whether the Board continue my services or not I consider it indispensable to the Cause of Colonization that they have traveling agents. The different interests of the State must, if possible be harmonised and united, they can harmonise and unite only in favor of Colonization, and there must be some one who will go to those who give tone and character to the different interests and bring them together. This I consider the appropriate duty of the traveling agent at this time. be he whom he may.

I am not willing to be discharged. First. Because I am engaged by the Society for the year; and have served them for more than five years past. and Secondly Because I have declined other arrangements that the Cause of Colonization, in this State, might have the benefit of my services. declined them too, because it was considered desirable that my connection with this Cause should continue.

It will be recollected by the Board, that in June last I addressed a Communication to the Board in which I declined accepting an agency upon the terms then proposed: but signified my willingness to act from from the service of the Society on the 15th of December (at which time my engagement with the Society would expire) Should the Board so desire. I have before me the letter of Prof. Hall, the Genl Agt of the Society, dated Baltm 14th June 1841. the first paragraph of which reads. "Dear Sir. Mr Ewing the Chairman of the Committee to whom was referred your letter to the Executive of 11th Inst. directs me to inform you that no new arrangement would be made with regard to your Salary until the expiration of the present year of your engagement". This extract shows conclusively what was the determination of the Board in June last.

On the 11th of Oct. 1841 I wrote to Prof. Hall from St. George Co. and drew his attention to the fact of my being engaged to serve the Society only until the 15th of December: at the same

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