future crop of corn on the low lands — this of itself is sufficient to shut most peoples pockets — but another more powerfull cause is this the more wealthy part till in a moment of we pay an annual tax for this purpose of so much they can tell you to a cent how much the county pays, and they say none goes from this county, and therefore we are not in the least benefitted if we could see them moving off then we would give liberally — yes and about as much as they do now I have put them in what Baltimore city has done, and what she is constantly doing and how few now have gone out of there; but I tell that the citizens of Baltimore don't give their money to benefit some particular district of the state, but comprehend the whole in their philanthropic minds and wherever part of the state they go from, they are satisfied; I purpose in the beginning of the week to bear towards home I shall touch at a few places in Dorchester on my way the Rev Mr Stuart has promised to accompany me to Cambridge Easton & Centreville, he is not but that he can something handsome for the cause in each of those places; — now sir brace up your nerves to receive my report. I have received in cash for subscribed not pay 31

$10

I Remain your sir

Yours Very Respectfully
John M Robe

P S I have interested one valuable Gentleman as a friend to the Colonization, John M Dennis esq of Beverley Hall Worcester County, the richest man in the two counties, he treated me like a Gentleman I likewise received the greatest kindness from his amiable Lady and kind family he deeply regretted that he could give me no more than five dollars it being just harvest time and having a large number of hands to pay off he holds about 12 farms in his own hands of his own: but any thing that he can do to promote the Colonization cause only let him know what it is, and he will cheerfully comply. I believe his influence will be as great as a score of other rich I wish Mr Latrobe to write him a friendly letter — his post office —

There is on thing rather distresses me I have had only one letter since I left home Mr Hughes they may have directed to snowhill

I wish John would see them and write to me at centerville Queen ann there will not be time to write I swore — J M R

I have had this week a severe symtom of the bilious fever but I am better, I took medicine

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A. Letter Books

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