a few days ago to make a speech on the subject - this he declines but suggests that you bring up Dr. L. Carey Esq. Please say to Carey that I shall be much gratified to see him - If his engagements should be pressing, he might aid at the first meeting, & Mr Addison afterwards. You might continue your operations throughout the week, but even then I could be of but little service - my Brother is about to become one of us & will with some friends return with me from Convention, & as such things do not occur every day, I shall be a good deal occupied in shewing them the usual attentions -

I think, on the whole that we can have every thing arranged for a meeting on the Evening of Monday & any succeeding evenings of which you may then give notice - If however, you should again think well to defer the matter, I shall consider it no trouble to do the needful - only that I must do no more than keep behind the scenes & pull the strings -

I have as yet given no definite notice - but have merely spoken of your intended visit - I do trust it may result in something satisfactory - I should like to see a Colonization Society formed here, which without troubling the Parent Society, should send its officers thro' the County to organize Auxiliaries & raise funds - I am under the impression that with the subject properly presented, portions of the County would do much more than Fredericktown - our calls for Benevolent Institutions are more numerous - & despite our reputed wealth, a considerable portion of our citizens are very poor - I shall always be glad to hear from you, & remain

Very truly yours

J. Paterkin

Of course should Carey come with you you will bring him to stay at my house

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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