of his children, whom I found difficult to manage in consequence of ~~early~~ their early education & whom I should apprehend if he ever puts his foot upon his native soil - to me this duty would be painful in the extreme and as his return must be fraught with misery to his children & evil consequences to himself - I ask it as a particular favour of the hands of the Colonization Society of Maryland that they will use every exertion in their power to prevent his return under any circumstances to this County

Your obedient Servant -

Chapman Billings

I shall be glad to hear from you as soon as your convenience will allow you will direct your letter to Leonard Town St Mary's County Maryland

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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