

While I fully appreciate the "Journal" <sup>allow me</sup> as one feeling  
deeply interested in Colonization ~~allow me~~ Respectfully  
to suggest whether there is not something more wanted.  
Something in the way of familiar tracts for instance —  
addressed especially to the free coloured people.  
to impress their minds with their present degraded con-  
dition - and the infinitely superior condition of those  
who have returned to the home of their fathers. To show  
them all the advantages to themselves of such a change - &  
the duty they owe themselves & their Race in this matter  
of their redemption - not merely from their bondage here  
which is the least evil that as a Race they endure, but  
from barbarism & heathenism & all the attendant evils.  
It seems to me that the chief difficulty now is with those  
who are to be the subjects of this scheme of Colonization.  
When their hearts are prepared for it, I have no doubt  
that means will be found to remove them quite as  
abundant as those which are now bringing the Irish  
to our own land. In common I believe with a large  
proportion of the citizens of the State, I sh<sup>d</sup>. rejoice to see  
them going more rapidly - and that not merely for the im-  
mediate effects of their departure, but for the more remote  
but certain effect of ridding our state of the evil of slave  
ry, of which I consider Colonization the only remedy.  
Very truly yours N. B. Worthington.

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II. Correspondence Received  
A. Letter Books

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