

Smithsville Cal. Co. N<sup>o</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 24/48.  
 G. A. Hall

Dear Sir

Enclosed, be pleased to receive,  
 (and retain for me, so that I get it on my return to  
 Balt<sup>o</sup>), a comple list of Man<sup>u</sup> in Charles Co. which  
 I copied from the Books of the Reg<sup>y</sup> of Mills in Port  
 Tobacco. This will be the starting point of my  
 operations, in Charles County, after I get through  
 in Calvert & Anna Arundel counties, and Balt<sup>o</sup>  
 City. They received me with open arms in  
 Charles, & I prognosticate the most favourable  
 results to colonization from these manumissions.  
 I shall have no trouble there in effecting my  
 plans, as the slaves are nearly all willing  
 to go out of the State of their own accord; having  
 understood at the time when man<sup>u</sup> that this, or  
 Liberia, was the condition of their freedom.  
 Besides, every man in Charles considers himself a  
 colonization Agent, & they have all along  
 well understood the want of ability on the  
 part of the Society to effectuate more rapid  
 results; and they promise me the heartiest  
 co-operation, in countenance & support, when I  
 return. Be assured I put the Board right side  
 up, <sup>in</sup> conversing upon, and arguing in its defence,  
 at every point of my journey. It is only necessary  
 to keep Colonization before the people, to give it

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II. Correspondence Received  
 A. Letter Books

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