

Colonization Office, Boston, June 7. 1850

Dr. James Hall

Dear Sir. I send you a Circular, which needs no explanation, but which makes it necessary to consult you. — Prof. Greenleaf knew Gov. Russwurm when in College, and thinks well of him. He thinks that, if Russwurm is what he supposes him to be, it would be well to employ him as chief agent of the Trustees in Africa, and probably as President of a College, when a College exists. Meanwhile, he should come to this country, visit our colleges, Normal schools, &c, and "brush up" his own scholarship; and perhaps do something at raising funds, though that is not ^{to be} a leading object of his visit. If every thing works well, he may, on returning, begin the college by taking a few of the best scholars that he can find, and teaching them himself; and from that, the college may be made to grow according to circumstances. While here, Russwurm might teach the Trustees some things which they may need to learn about Africa.

Nothing has been done about this officially. It is, as yet, mere talk, among a part of the Trustees. But they wish me to learn of you, whether there are any known objections to such a plan, for which it should be abandoned at once. Of course, its execution will require him to resign his office as Governor, and the Trustees

40-K

Maryland Historical Society

The Maryland State Colonization Society Papers

II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

11. 1850--1851--1852

1850