Rev. & dear Sir

Cumberland
March 1. 1854

I rec'd. a letter from you addressed to Rev. Clark which I presume was intended for me — You wish to know my church on the 12 March &c

My dear Bro. it cannot suit me to have a collection taken up in my church at this time for the object connected with your agency —

I have been making myself somewhat familiar with the subject of African colonization — and intend (D.V.) to address my people on the subject during the year and raise for it what I can; but encumbered as we are with debt and the necessity of increasing that debt I must select a proper time.

I presume you are the agent for the Md. Soc. — I suppose the offering of the Md. Soc. had good reasons for not incorporating their lands in the Republic — Any thing that I can do will be done for the Republic of Liberia —— I send you this early reply in the midst of many pressing engagements —

Your Bro in Christ
John B. Campbell

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