for such an object, mechanics could be procured at the diminished rate indicated & and at once said he would be over, if called on.

a Brig could be sailed with two men less than a Barque, which would effect a considerable diminution in the annual expense - and if I may be allowed, without being considered too presumptuous, would with great deference & respect to the managers of the Society suggest whether under existing circumstances, it would not be best for the Society to commence building (or purchasing) as from time to time they possess the means, vessels calculated to carry about one hundred or 180 of the emigrants - should they succeed in so doing until they owned say four of such vessels (if so many was needed) at 2 1/2 trips per year they could carry a thousand per annum - or in the absence of emigrants to fill up, said vessels might be savingly, if not profitably employed, as others are freighting & should more auspicious circumstances be ordained for the Society, said vessels could be sold for their value & proceeds applied towards a steamer.

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