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James Hall Esq
Dear Sir

The last letter I recd from you concerning the negroes, by wich I have to go to Liberia, I dis not like so well, from the fact of your saying, that it seemed to you, that I dis not want you to have them, how could you think such a thing? I am sure if I dis not want you to have them, I could give them to some other agent I have already given you the refusal of them, & will do it again. if you choose to take them, they would have been abouse of this bepel, last December, but being compeled to bring them to Baltimore on board a Sail Vessel, as I have no convenience to a steam boat, I have to depend on the wind, & the wind being contrary last Dec, caused me to get frozed up in the ice untill it was too late for me to start, that is the reason they were not there last winter. The reason I am so particular about a receipt for them, is, they are liberated by a will, & I as executor must have a rect from the Colonization agent to show that I have sent them, the man does not leave them to any Colonization agent atall, but just says those nine negroes are to be sent to Liberia on the Coast of Africa, their expences there is to be paid by me, no Ext, & a support for 3 years, after all his just debts are paid, now, sir, they are in my power to send them by any agent I please, & I shall send them to the best advantage I can, the Children, most of them are small, & if you will take them at your first offer, which I think was $50 a head, to transport and support them six months, you shall have them by the 1st of May as I think that is the time your next vessel leaves, If sickness, death, or the wind dont prevent, of course I must have a rect, if the wind

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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