

Office of the Colon Society  
Washington

My Dear Sir

Feb 8<sup>th</sup> 1856

I have your favor of yesterday which I have shown to Mr McLain & shall read this evening <sup>to the Committee</sup> in the generous offer from a citizen of your State, but I should <sup>deem</sup> it more than the best ship is worth to have any failure in the Maine purpose. If you say the word that ship will be built & I feel assured it will be built any way, unless discouragement is thrown upon the measure. I suppose the matter stands thus Maine is pledged to twenty thousand dollars - and looks for ten thousand from Baltimore and Washington - and in case Maine does not immediately raise what is deficient in the twenty thousand, Messrs Patton & Harward

Maryland Historical Society

The Maryland State Colonization Society Papers

II. Correspondence Received  
A. Letter Books

13. May 1855—October 1857

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