Legislature recommended the measure to the people - and requested them to act. - they did act. The biennial Election in June, the people by a large majority of their suffrages elected me. Mr Fuller my competitor and partisan of Mr Prout - for all this - Mr Prout cast his vote for Drayton and Gibson.

You have been pleased to aver in your letter, communicating the feeling of the Honorable Board, and requesting me to inform the people of their unabated interest in their future welfare - through me as the Organ of the people. I seize this favorable opportunity to present the high regards of the whole people of the State of Maryland in Liberia, for the many obligation they are under to the Society.

I feel quite assured the Society will do all in their power for us, and we need immigrants. We contemplate a new settlement in the Parroway country; the natives are freindly, and perhaps this method would be the most practical plan to adjust the Neffaus disturbances. We shall be pleased to have your advice, and hope that you will favor us with them as opportunities may present themselves, - such suggestions as may aid us in the discharge of our duties. Just now, consonant to a resolution past at the last Session of the General Assembly, authorizing the Executive to open a Diplomatic Correspondence with the Governments of Brittain and France respecting Recognition and Treaties; I am solicitous to avail myself of the kindly and valuable office of Mr Gerard Ralston, likewise Dr Hodgkins in London. Your kind and efficient office in this respect will be duly appreciated.

Dear Sir; the Address accompanying your letter will be laid before the people, and let me assure you that they will ever continue to be a "law loving and law abiding people". I have communicated to the widow of the late lamented Judge Cassell the sympathy and condolence of the Maryland Col Soc. I shall be pleased to become your debtor for such reading matter as you may be kind enough to forward to my address. The State need a Library,

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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