what should we send? You will be there almost as soon, and fill the market with the kinds of goods usually sent, and will have the best facilities for selling. It would be bad policy for us to send out goods to be offered in competition with yours. But that may be the case in some degree with some $1500 or $2.000 worth that Roberts has ordered to pay the expenses of putting up the building. May present question relative to other goods.

What do you think of doors, windows, planed boards, shingles, &c? What of casks, or shooks, for palm oil? New shooks? Or old oil casks? How much could we afford to give for them? What other articles, to be had here, would be sure to do well there?...

I know you can have but little time now for correspondence, and I expect only such answers as you can find time to give. Say something without delay, as we must be loading in a few days.

Especially, when must three or four Emigrants arrive from Boston at Baltimore, to be just in season to take passage in the new ship? It is desirable to know this as soon as we can, that they may be ready. I am teased for the information, almost daily.

Yours, as ever,
Joseph Tracy

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A. Letter Books

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