

condition,) and here in our midst has been too highly appreciated not to have reached you long ere this does. We have only to regret that his stay among us has been so short. We bade him a reluctant good bye on ^{the} wharf in front of the store this evening about seven o'clock, and while he with his lovely daughter were gradually dwindling out of sight in the distance, every countenance seemed to say, God speed to him whom we cannot but regard with a sort of paternal affection. May heavens choicest blessings attend them not only during their voyage from Africa to Baltimore, but through the entire journey of life, and afterwards receive them into perpetual quiet rest & happiness.

We are all realizing the stern realities of a heathen war, and as a matter of course times & business (never so prosperous with us) are now unusually dull. Our Liberian friends have most promptly responded to our call on them for aid, and there are now more than a hundred men with the necessary officers, brought down by your father in the *Male Stevens*, ready

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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