

To the Agent of the Md. Colonization Society.

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Wilmington Md. April 16th 1857

Sir,

A citizen of Cape Palmas in Liberia who has been absent from his home more than a year, & who originally went out to Md. in Liberia under the auspices of our State Society, is desirous to return to his family & the country of his adoption.

His name is Levi Bowie, he is poor, having spent greater part of his earnings of last summer by sickness incurred during the severity of the past winter. He desires to know whether

your board will receive him once more as a free passenger, or if not, his circumstances being considered, what part, if any, of the usual fare for passengers will be remitted in his behalf.

Finally he wishes to know as near as may be, the precise time of the sailing of the Mary Caroline Stephens, or other vessel from the port of Baltimore for Liberia.

It has been announced for the 10 of May but the society at Washington has set a later date. You will confer a favor on the man by giving an early answer.

Very respectfully
J. C. M. Allen

Mr. Bowie has a large box & a barrel of flour he wishes to take with him. Please direct Mrs. Caspar W. Weaver. Wilmington Md.

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The Maryland State Colonization Society Papers

II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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