be sought by the entire civilised world. Those of your race, who are wise, will haste thither and share the dangers of climate and other perils, and also avail themselves of the advantages surely attendant on the leaders and pioneers of civilization and commerce in that land. Intimacy of thirty-one years with Liberia, in this country and in Africa, makes this plain to me, however doubtful it may be to others. During this long period I have ever advised the people of color to emigrate; and this State of Maryland has spent over three hundred thousand dollars in aid of emigration, preparing settlements, outfit of emgts, &c.

The State will spend no more. She has withdrawn her appropriations for all outlays except to take out all emigrants offering, and care for them during acclimation. So you see I can make you no proposition likely to interest or benefit you.

Very respectfully Yours

James Hall

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