Baltimore March 12th 1859.

Rev'd R. R. Gurley

Dear Sir. I regret that I missed seeing Dr Gunton yesterday & went through the evening train on my way home to see him but could not do so. —

We have decided upon sending a supply forthwith; & shall begin loading on Tuesday a new Brig which we have purchased & named "Patmos" —

I have duly considered those orders & finally come to the conclusion to send the Dennis only provisions. These will answer as trade goods, or for use. & I send only about 1/4 of his order. Yes, I may add Thread, which is always in demand for small items of expense. — of which I send a Bale — With these he can well get along no doubt till the Ship will arrive. say about 1 Dec, later than the Brig — You can advise him that the order will be entirely filled by the Ship & that will prevent his purchasing of other parties & drawing on you. — I think I shall not have occasion to give a note for anything which I may purchase, merely telling the parties to let it lie till Mr McLean purchases in Office for the Ship. guaranteeing that I will see all bills to their satisfaction — I will fill Roberts order for Med. with some additions, also Dr Smith's to the letter. — I prefer letting Mrs Dennis pin thread order be for Mr McLean — I have enough of the latter responsibility that I cannot avoid — Strikers are not always pleased with our purchases.

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