the person returning to such charge as the master may deem proper to make? — In either case, you will please inform us what will be the probable expense of his returning to the U States. —

Our Board of Managers authorise me, to propound to you the following interrogatories — viz:-

1st. Are the Emigrants from the different parts of the State of Maryland to assemble at Baltimore, and Embark thence to Norfolk, for the purpose of entering the vessel bound to Liberia? — or,

2d. Are the Emigrants from the different parts of the State to concentrate at Norfolk, and there Embark for Liberia? —

3rd. If at the latter place, will or will not the Expenses of the Emigrants to Norfolk be defrayed by the Board of State Managers out of the public fund?

In consequence of there being no communication between this place and Norfolk (Except that of the Slave trade, for Norfolk is the port to which the southern negro purchasers who visit this Section of Country, always ship their slaves for a Southern Market) there will be considerable difficulty in our sending them to Norfolk —

And indeed, there are those, who are inimical to African Colonization, who have even told the Coloured people here, that there is a vessel off the Capes ready to take them and carry them to the West India Islands — Incredible as such a report is, many of our Coloured people are inclined to believe it. — It is therefore desirable that our Emigrants, if possible should be sent to Baltimore first.

The Cause in which we are Engaged being a good one, which, if successful, will redound

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