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Dear Brother

The inclosed letter from our well beloved and truly worthy Brother, John Hersey, speaks for itself, though not as fully as is due to his own personal credit and worth. His modesty and deep christian humility, prevented him from stating the fact, that he was the Methodist Preacher to whom was offered, by the Board of Managers of the A. C. Society, the important commission of Principal Agent or Governor of their Colony in Liberia. As he is now on his passage in the Brig Ann for Cape Palmas in Africa as assistant Agent of the Maryland State Colonization Society, I feel myself at perfect liberty to make the above statement to which I will add, that subsequently to his declining the office of Principal Agent, he was appointed, as is stated in his letter, Superintendent of Agriculture, education and the moral institutions generally of the colony of Liberia. These facts, in their personal application are of no very material consequence, but are of vital importance when taken in connection with the remarks in ~~your~~ paper of the 8th inst^, for. They most clearly show that the strictures referred to by Brother Hersey were irrelevant to the facts in the case. This error, I am sure, from some personal ~~high~~ and official high standing in the church, was purely accidental, but it may, nevertheless, if not corrected, produce unfriendly feelings among the members of our church to the cause of colonization. Brother Herseys letter, if published in the Advocate & Journal, will I am sure, wherever he is known be of great service in assisting any improper views and feelings that may have been produced by ~~your~~ your remarks.

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