

Dated 31 May 1836
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 Corresponding Member
 My dear Sir

Nothing has occupied my mind so extensively and exclusively during my late affliction, as the great enterprise of African Colonization; and the means of its future success. When I remembered how frequently I have been assured, before and since my acceptance of the Agency, that the Society had no plans upon which they could rely for success; that all the plans which had been tried had proved abortive; and that one great object in getting another Agent - was the hope that other methods would be struck out promising greater efficiency: all this appeared sufficiently rational, and gave the Agent reason to believe that any judgment which he might form after due time for reflection would be respected, and he would give in the Board of Managers, at least a disposition to regard with kindness and receive with respect any suggestions which he might present for their consideration. In this way, and no other had the Agent any just reason to expect any better success to attend his labours than those of his predecessor. Had the Maryland State Bible Society adhered rigidly to the original plan which they had marked out for their Agent in 1824.5. instead of listening to the suggestions which

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