

advantageous: being a stranger to the business and personally unacquainted with, at that time, the friendly colonization faces I have met since. Besides, I found it vastly necessary, to stir up the cause, by a vigorous personal and private effort, as well as by public demonstration: to which end I visited and conversed with 33 influential citizens of Annapolis and vicinity, freely interchanging and sometimes discussing the subject, and disputing <sup>answering</sup> objections when I found the scheme arraigned and its practicability questioned. As every <sup>body</sup> seems to be more or less familiar with Col. in M<sup>d</sup>, I found it to my advantage to throw into form and shape whatever objections I could pick up, worth noticing, and in my lectures address the answers to the congregations, supported by statistics and facts, carefully digested and prepared.

In Annapolis City and County, there are between 6 & 700 coloured people; some of whom I am sure could be procured as emigrants, all things else being equal, and which I shall, in due season avail, if available.

In Cambridge, there are 3 very upright coloured men, awaiting my meeting <sup>at</sup> their town of the 16<sup>th</sup> for their answer to me upon the subject of their emigration.

In Salisbury, I lectured at disadvantage, another meeting being held there the same night, and I driven thence by a regular old-fashioned stern shore

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