for a young man, nor do I think this counterbalanced by the access to society which it affords him, as the fashionable society of this place rather scarcely forms the manners of a young man & certainly will be of little service to him in other respects - Under these circumstances I do not know how to advise him to come to Baltimore but would prefer Frederick Town or certainly Annapolis preferable - Of the former place I know but little & can therefore judge but imperfectly, yet have been struck with an habit unfriendly to study which prevails among the young men, that of frequenting Mr Kimbol's Tavern, not apparently for purposes of dissipation but as a lounging place - In Annapolis I think there are more advantages to a student combined than in any other place. His the seat of the higher Courts where the greatest talents of the Bar are displayed, the habits of the place are extremely moral & young men are admitted to the best society of the place without being under the necessity of increasing their expences which I should think are not more than half as great as in this place - The companions which he would have among the students there are quite as good in respect to understanding character & industry as in this place & I think if you would fix him there with Addison Redout he would derive the greatest advantages from it — If this does not accord with your ideas perhaps the Law School in Litchfield Connecticut would answer, much knowledge I am sure is gained there & a strong spirit of emulation generally prevails among the students, which the steady moral & economical habits of the Country would preserve him from the principal dangers which beset a young man in our large Cities -

~~If not with the~~ If my ideas do not coincide with your reflections on this subject & you are still disposed to send him here, be assured that it will give me sincere pleasure to afford him every assistance in my power in the prosecution of his studies & the arrangements of his plans of living - Remember me to him & most respectfully & kindly to Miss Margaret & believe me dear Sir with esteem & respect

Yours H. H. Murray