

Colonization Rooms July 1th 1849.
J. James Hall

Dear Sir

I left Balt^o on the 3rd of April last for Calvert & St Marys counties, in the hope that my mission would result in the most perfect success, both in regard to money and emigrants. After labouring until our horses were worn to the stumps, and my own health for a time much, though not seriously impaired, I returned to Balt^o on the 1st of last month having finally concluded my labours with the emigrants. On the 5th I returned to A. Sprinkle to have probate made upon the subscription of J. P. Dorsett dec'd's order having learned the estate would be closed in a few days. I swore to it before the Register & put the widow in possession of it - the amount (\$50) will be remitted to you during the summer, as she informed me. I resumed operations in Balt^o on the 12th. Being disappointed with regard to the "Circular" I occupied my time in making, with Watkins's assistance, an index for the 4 vols of Col. Journal^{Ms.} which, at your leisure, I wish you to examine. I sold Hammond's Mare, ^{and} the conclusion of our labours to Capt. Rich. Hoace of Plum Point for \$60. This, or such amount as may be the difference between his charge for the emigrants up to Balt^o & it will be paid when I return for them. On the 15th I received the startling intelligence from Hammond, that some white persons in Calvert had been tampering with my emigrants & had well nigh succeeded in undoing all I had done for the last 2 months. I directed him to return immediately to the county, & counteract the influence thus gotten up against the Society. He is now there & I am waiting for the return of the Lib. Packet to resume my operations with them.

My letter to you from St Marys, ^{will indicate} what kind of a reception Hammond & I met in St Marys - I can never go to that county again, unless accompanied by a Barnes or a Lawder.

Yours Respectfully

J. M. Hall
Agt

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