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PAUL CUFFE PAPERS

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FOLDER 10

Scipio July 14... 1816

Dear Uncle

Now I take this opportunity to inform you that I am well
and all the rest of the family is well and I hope these few
lines may find you enjoying the blessings and your family
likewise I was very glad to hear that you arrived home with
safety to your ^{native} shore once more and concerning what
you I don't wrote I am sure I can't say what must be done
Michael is not come what the reason I don't no he wrote
a letter a letter in april that he should be out here soon
as possible we have gave up looking for him I want
you to do the best you can for us give us our due as
as nigh as you can for I think theres no body more
Needy than I am ^{or} we are I like very well
But I am coming to my habitation as soon as I can
I can't forget Bloms yet Charles on Silvia has got
a Daughter and Charles is very proud I hear I have
not been about to see any of the Country
I like very well what I have seen
from your affectionate Cousin
Mary M. Masters

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the
and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. [Name]

The very best of service
you can give
is to
be
in
the
best
of
service
to
the
public
and
the
country.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. [Name]

Government House
Sierra Leone February 5. 1896

Sir

Mr H. Macaulay having stated to me that he had now on hand a considerable quantity of Flour which would most likely prove an entire loss to him if I was to permit of your ~~the~~ being landed; I am extremely sorry under these circumstances to be obliged to retract my permission as to that article.

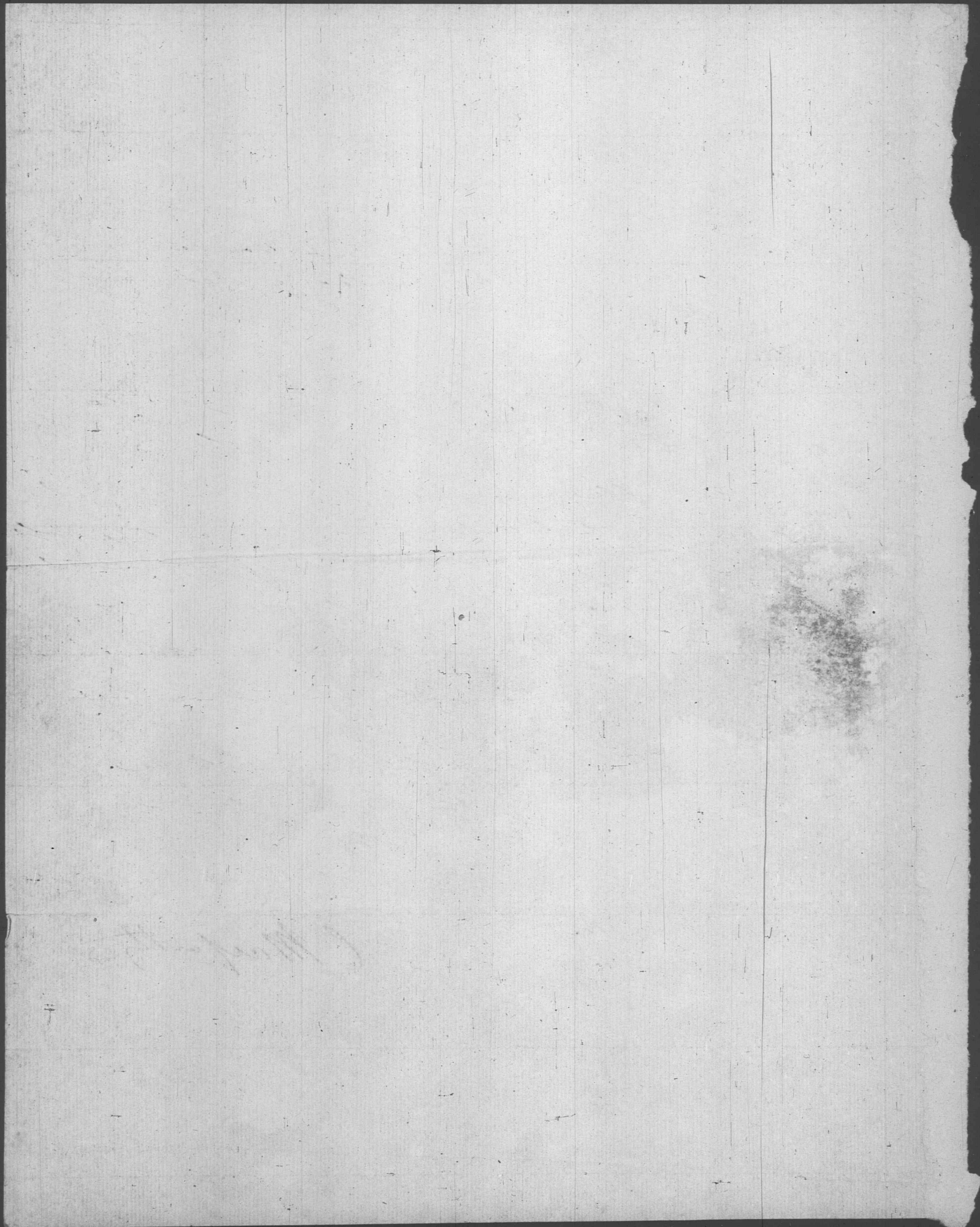
I have the honour to be

With high esteem
Sir

Your obedient servant

Captain Paul Coffey
h — h — h

C. Marfauty



Providence August 23th 1816

Honoured Sir

I hope your goodness will pardon the
Liberty. I now take in a few lines
To you with whom I have no personal acquaintance
But I hope my motive will be a sufficient excuse
As it is a desire of getting information of
Sierra Leone it is a place I have been anxious
For some time to go to and settle if you think
There is any prospects of getting a living there
Without a trade as my wife is a native she is
Also very anxious if you will be good enough
To answer this soon as it is convenient as we
May have some idea of the terms and time
That you think of sailing that we may make
Our calculation according if you think of
Going this fall I shall endeavour to visit you
To know further particulars

I am your humble servant

Thomas M. Lloyd

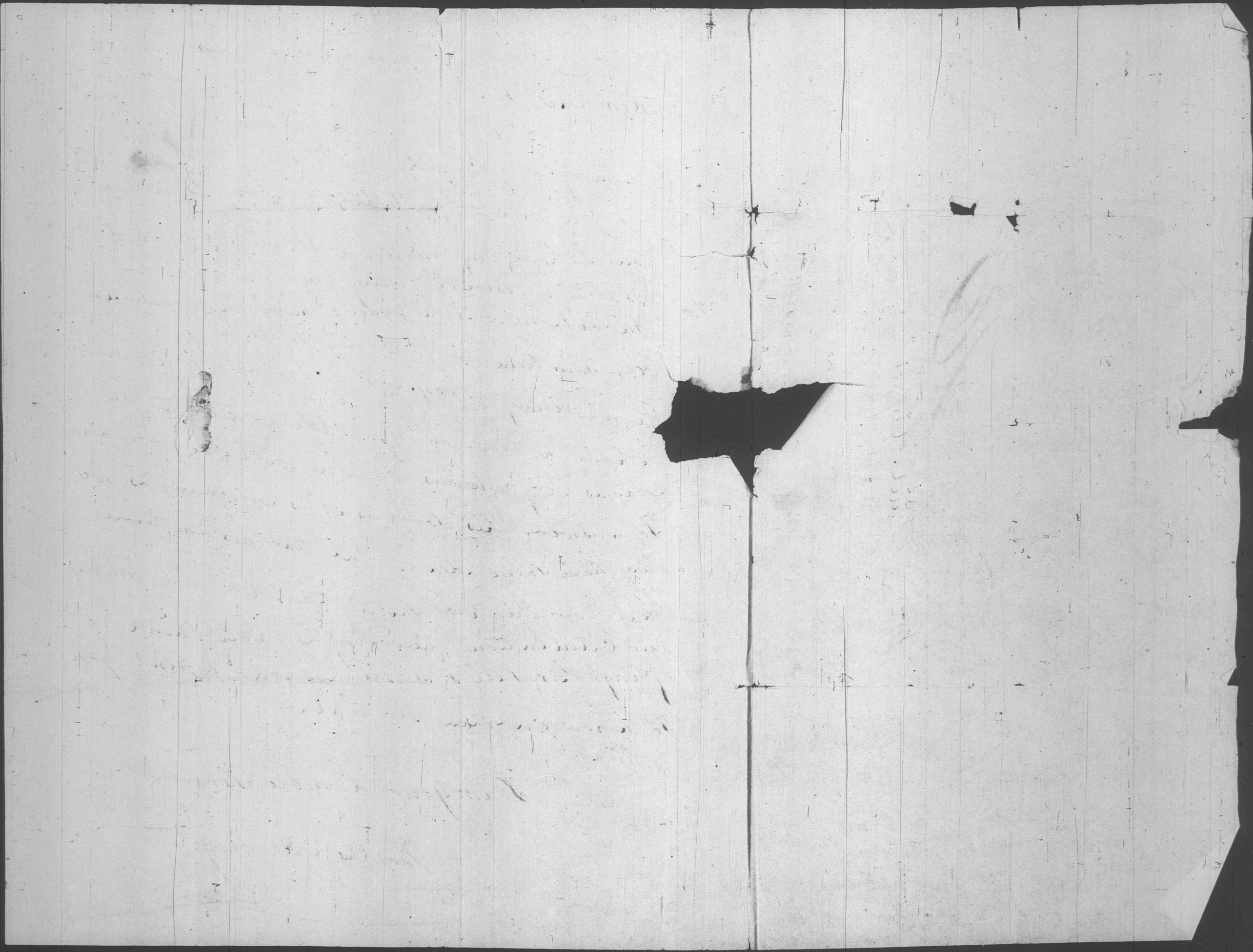
1815

Paul Cuffee



Westport

Massachusetts



New York, 15th July, 1810.

Sir,

It is in contemplation to establish, ^{an} African
- n Institution or School under the patronage of
one or more of the central Synods of the Presbyterian
an Church of the Usta States, for the purpose of
educating young Men of Colour ~~and~~ for School-
- masters and Preachers to People of Colour in these
States and else where. — In the present stage of
the business it is deemed desirable to ascertain
whether well qualified & prudent teachers of this ~~kind~~
description, sent forth under respectable patronage
with good recommendations could be admitted in any
portion of the States, holding Slaves — I am there-
fore requested and beg leave to propose to you,
Sir, the following questions and to request the
favour of an answer as soon as you can conveniently
be forwarded it —

1st Could any teacher of this sort be received upon
your Plantation either in the Character of a School
master, or preacher, or in both —

and if but one which?

2nd would any of your Neighbours join in employing such a teacher?

3rd How large a Congregation or School or both could we calculate upon in your Neighbourhood?

4th What proportion of his support could be probably received from his employers?

5th Have your Friends in any part of the Country who you are inclined to suppose would favour this object, if so would you have the goodness to propose these questions to them and obtain their answers, and transmit them with yours own.

As it is doubtful where I shall be at the time of the arrival of your answer I am permitted to request you to make your communications to the Rev. E. D. Griffin Newark New Jersey.

As this business will probably be brought before the Synod of New York and New Jersey in Oct^r next it is desirable that your communications to Doct Griffin or to his care be made as soon as possible.

Yours Sir with much esteem & Respect
Capt Plummer - Yours - Sam^l J. Mills.

July 22nd 1842.

Sir, On the two first pages of this letter you will perceive that it is contemplated to establish an African Institution or School for the purpose of educating young men of colour. It was thought by some that objections would be made to such an Institution by certain persons, on the ground that our Teachers would not be received into the Slave holding portions of our Country. - The enquirers were drawn up with a view of ascertaining from Slave holders themselves their feelings on this subject. Letters containing these enquiries have been sent to men of influence and respectability in the different States. I send you a copy of them that you may know the course we are taking, to attempt to ameliorate the condition of people of colour. - It is my opinion that a public school ought to be established for the purpose of educating young men of the character proposed. If there was no prospect that they would be received in the Slave State. There are ~~now~~ very many of these people north of the Potomack who are as ignorant and almost as wretched as those south. It is my impression likewise that well qualified Teachers of colour would at some future time be very useful in the colony of Sierra Leone and at other places on the West Coast of Africa. And might it not be well to bring a few promising youths from Africa for the purpose of giving them an education, ~~taking care~~ taking care at the same time that they did not lose their native language. I wish to know your sentiments on this subject. And whether it is probable that you could at some future time obtain youths of this character for this purpose if we should succeed in providing the means for their education. I have seen a short notice relative to your last voyage. your prospects are flattering I wish to know all that you may think interesting to me ~~con~~ relative to your present calculations.

I very much regret that I did not see you while you was in this City should you be here in the course of this summer or fall do not fail to enquire after me, ~~and~~ Much is doing for the benefit of people of colour. Sunday schools are established in very many places. The Lord I believe will prosper exertions in their favour.

Sam^l J. Mills

direct your letter to the care of Dr. Griffin

I hope you will write to me soon of the Rev. Dr. Griffin Newark



Answered

Capt Paul Luffie,
Westport
Mass.

1881

1892

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1818
 Capt. Paul Luffe
 To the care of the Secretary
 of the African Society, N. York
 (to be forwarded to Capt. Luffe if he has left the city)
 New York

single?

Capt. Paul Luffe

Charlestown July 27th 1816

My worthy friend, I rejoice that you have had a successful voyage to Sierra Leone - & are safely returned to our country, I hope to take more of your countrymen to the same place, where those you before carried appear to be so happily settled. I had a very satisfactory letter from Perry Look, in which he spoke highly of your kindness to him & his fellow passengers.

About the same number of persons, ~~who~~ went with you before from Boston, are desirous of going with you the next time you go - I have frequently come to me to enquire whether I have heard from you since your return - whether you are going to return, & when - & whether they can have passage with you. I wish you to write me in answer to these questions as early as possible, as it seems important, ^{this fall} for they go, that they sh. be making the necessary preparations. - They will have certificates, as the others had. - Hoping early to hear from you, I subscribe your

friend
 J. D. Morse

Newbury Port July 6. 1816

Capt: Paul Cuffee

Sir I am a stranger to you. but you will excuse the freedom I take in writing you. I observe by the paper. that my Schooner Thine Mother Capt. Lurvey. was left at Fair Haven by you. & Lurvey wrote me from you that he intended to touch at Ithaca, but observed it was doubtful whether he could obtain permission to trade. I received no letter by you from him therefore do not know what his prospects are for selling. he had an assorted cargo, will thank you to inform me by return of Mail. whether he could sell & the prices of articles, & what his prospects are, my cargo consists of Lumber Flour Tar Spar. Rum Tobacco &c. shall feel under great obligations to you for the information herein regarding and should be happy in returning the favor if you have any commands this way, should be pleased ^{to know} how the prospects are for civilizing & reforming Africa. a great deal is now doing to ameliorate the condition of Man as to their temporal & spiritual condition & I have been informed you have been engaged in doing good in Africa from

Sir your most obedt Servt
John Pearson

Handwritten: *Handwritten text, possibly a signature or date, written upside down.*

The first of these is the
 fact that the population
 of the country is increasing
 rapidly. This is due to
 the fact that the country
 is fertile and the climate
 is healthy. The people
 are also very industrious
 and the government is
 very wise. The result
 is that the country is
 becoming more and more
 prosperous.