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PAUL CUFFE PAPERS

SERIES A

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FOLDER 1

Dear friend

Westport 3^{mo} 7th 1814

Math^l G. M. Senter,

Thine of the 17th ult. hath just arrived

Every Sallenter I think will be very benefi-
-cial to the accelerating the unhumanity of

the african - I carried to africa from England
4 missionaries - but I could not discover that
the minds of the africans was prepared to under-
stand their intention - I further observed the
land that the land of africa must be cuttwa-
-ted, before it would be proper to receive aid to
advantage - I also conceive that the people must
be moralized before they are christianized

I saw a man who had and continued to keep
a school among the natives he told me he had 80
children of the chiefs and they were so well satisf-
-fied with his care over them that he considered

himself and property as safe as thro he was
on the Island of great Britain

my Plan is to take to Africa some sober
steady habitued people ^{of colour} ~~to Africa~~ in order to encourage
sobriety and industry and to introduce Cultiva-
tion and commerce so that the African may become
their own carriers and employ their citizens as
meriners, and that she may represent her nation
with the representatives of her own nation

by thus opening a new channel of intercourse with the
interiors of Africa as a fair and friendly intercourse
we should be able to obtain such information of
the interiors of Africa as we could not get by an
individual interprise thus they would have put
within their reach a method of getting supplies
as they have been prevented from by having the
Slave trade abolished — the memorial passed
the Senate last was rejected in the lower house I should

the way open for the Enterprise to be undertaken?

I shall Endeavour to give timely notice to all parties

I have just received a letter from friend
Morse and should been happy to have been earlier

acquainted with him — as we are strangers to
each other this may suffice at present

a letter of inquiry when further information is
needed will be attended to by thy assured
friend

Paul Cuffe

Esteemed Friend

New York 3^d mo 22^d 1815

I am induced to write thee a few lines on account of several natives of Africa who were lately brought into this City - Three Men & two Women (if I am correct), Poor Creatures, they appeared to lament their situation, and might be very much rejoiced could they get back to their Country - for altho it is difficult to understand them, yet as far their feelings and thoughts may be ascertained - they are desirous of returning, especially some of them - Now as thou hast had it in contemplation to go again to Africa - perhaps thou would see it right to provide away for these poor Creatures to return to their native Land - it seemed however proper to mention the subject to thee for thy consideration, - and when thy mind is made up I should be glad to hear from thee - Farewell - with love -

I am

Thy aff. Friend

John Murray Smith

I should friend of John Murray Smith and the 22^d of May 1815
thine of the 22^d I have received (enclosed note)

I have written to the London Africa Co. and to the others and have to wait for their answer before I can proceed with propriety which I think may be in time to sail in the 18th which will be a good season on account of the rainy season - all which I much prefer - I feel for this description of people & I shall endeavour to take care that a passage be procured for them if recommended by my advising friends. Also may add that if the expense should fall on me, there would be need of help and in that case I hope thou wilt so far render thy aid as for the expenses not to fall too heavy upon one who has to support his family by his labour &c - when ever the way opens I shall endeavour to give thee early information

Thine ever sincerely in heart

I am at the sandwich quarterly meeting
at Warrington we had a pleasant meeting

I am thy admiring friend

Paul Cuffe

For

Paul Cuffee,

To the care of
William Rotch Junr
New Bedford —
Massachusetts.

Dear friends, Philadelphia 9th Nov 6 1819

Alia cups

My husband is in health at present and
hope these may meet thee enjoying the same
blessing - I went to Washington last week
and met the Miss Traveller with a great
the same day all well. I believe she will
come to Philadelphia next week to take her
African cargo on board - if so she will
not be at home ~~more~~ about 2 weeks
Likely we shall bring some passengers
home with us &c. - I saw Aunt Frelow
in New York in good health - I got to New York
the 7th day after I left home - and to Philad^a
the 3rd day following - flour is \$8.75 per
barrel - Some will say thou must take good
care of the creatures, especially the dogs
and feed them well

I am thy assured friend
Dad's cups

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1844

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1891

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have with me. I have no more.

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1875

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Dear friend Philadelphia 9th 15 1815

William Allen

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the letter dated 6 of the 5 month last

I am now loading my brig traveller for Sierra Leona, and am to take with me from this City Anthony Suruame Thomas Wilson, and their wives. Sail in 2 days for new Bedford, there to be joined with the residue of my passengers, and expect to be ready to sail from westport the last of the 10th mo - I observe thou mention of making some provision for receiving these families. when arriving at Sierr Leone - I shall ^{encourage} ~~encourage~~ these families to bear their own expenses as far as their circumstances will permit of - all such expenses as we are not able to bear will be kindly received of our friends and gratefully acknowledged by their sojourners in a foreign land - I shall write to you more fully on the subject in a few days and in the mean time I hope to receive further instructions from your Society

and am your assured friend

Paul Cuffe

15th Cullen No.