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Historical Note

The New York State Colonization Society organized in 1829 to assist the American Colonization Society in removing free black people from the United States and resettling them in Liberia. Liberia was founded in 1822 as a colony by the American Colonization Society.

Content Description

This collection consists of a partially printed illustrated certificate measuring 14" x 17." The broadside includes an engraved vignette of a sailing ship with African and white men shaking hands. The certificate is made out to the Reverend J. W. McLeod and signed by abolitionists Anson Green Phelps (President of the NY State Colonization Society) and John Brooke Pinney (Secretary). Pinney was Colonial Agent for the Colonization Society and later served as Governor of Liberia. The certificate is dated November 24, 1855.

Related Materials

Special Collections and Archives has several cataloged titles related to Liberia, including newspapers published in Liberia. The Reid Family Papers (WLU Coll 0024) includes a subscription list signed by residents of Rockbridge County, Va. who pledged money to send free black individuals to Liberia.

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Phelps, Anson G. (Anson Greene), 1781-1853

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