the mountain range which here runs parallel given by Dr. Hall.

The relations with the natives in the imme- furnished from this country. diate neighbourhood of the colony are now of a friendly kind. On several occasions they attempted to impose upon the agent: and temporary estrangement was the consequence .-to believe that the good will which exists on to aid the cause of colonization? The answer both sides, will not be again interrupted. The | may be given by indicating education as the tion, the colonization scheme may be to them | be concentrated with the happiest effect. A also a blessing; and not, as in the colonizing of | few hundred dollars per annum, raised in this country, a plan for the extirpation of the | Maryland, invested here in trade goods and aborigines.

the current year a vessel of their own. This amount could be procured by societies of cholson states that these laws have been thohas been recommended to them by their expe- | females, auxiliary, for the purpose of promorience since the founding of the colony; and | ting education, to the state society, there can they are satisfied that, besides the facilities be no doubt entertained. It is therefore that it will afford for carrying on their opera- suggested that the female friends of the colotions, it will, on the score of economy, be nization cause should organize themselves into highly important. The trade from Baltimore | societies, and by a concentration of effort, raise | natives to live according to them, is a most to Africa is already such as to ensure at all funds sufficient to commence a system of edu- happy assurance of success for that part of the times full freight from other quarters, should cation in Africa, on a small scale in the first | Society's plans which contemplates the elevathe society not be able to furnish it.

WANT OF FUNDS.

In conducting the affairs of the society from It is further suggested here, that, for this its commencement, the Board of Managers purpose, each female society should determine have had to rely upon the support of the to raise annually a certain quota, and that any managers of the state fund, when they failed sum collected beyond this should be invested to collect from the public, funds adequate to as a part of a fund for education, the principal their wants. The policy of the state in of which should for ever remain inviolate. establishing a separate colony for the recep- In this way, in a few years, enough may tion of her emigrants, has in this manner, be obtained, after supporting schools in the however, been fully corroborated; and the interim, to found a college at Cape Palmas. colony at Cape Palmas is now adequate to | Constant, active, effort is competent to all meet all the wants of colonization in Maryland, | this, and female benevolence is relied upon to and to receive in comfort (offering them every | afford it. prospect of happiness and prosperity) as many persons as it is probable will be found ready, the services of the society's agents can be at This good brother does not live on the fat of in any one year, to emigrate. Still the wants | all times commanded by the female auxiliaries. of the society, that cannot be supplied from the state fund, are many and pressing, and make it necessary that the friends of the cause should be called upon for assistance from time to time. During the coming year it is the intention of the Board to direct their agents to call upon all who feel an interest in the | tender, at ten cents per pound, and appointing cause, for such aid as it is in their power to inspectors to settle differences in regard to give, for the purpose of raising the sum of quality. The effect of this will be, it is four thousand dollars annually, for the ensuing expected, the promotion of the growth of this four years. This sum will put it in the power staple production; and it is justified by the of the Board to do many things for the colony experience of Maryland, where, until within in the advancement of agriculture, the promo- | the last fifty years, tobacco continued to be a tion of education, and the introduction of a legal tender. The effect of the ordinance is proper system of internal improvement, which | not yet known, but good results are anticipaare of vital importance, and in which the | ted from it. expenditure in the first instance of a comparatively small amount will be productive of the most permanent benefits.

EDUCATION.

Hitherto the Board have had to rely, in a great degree, upon the missionaries, established at the colony, for the means of educating the children of the emigrants; for although fully sensible of the importance of at once establishing a system of schools, yet the absolute and more pressing necessities incident to the founding of the settlement, prevented the Board, in the first instance, from doing more than provide in the 'ordinances' for the future wants and obligations of the colonists in this respect.

By the 31st section of 'An ordinance for the temporary government of the Maryland State Colonization Society, in Africa, called Maryland in Liberia, it is provided: 'That there shall be at least one public school in every township of the territory, the teacher whereof shall be appointed by the agent in council. It shall be the duty of every parent to send his or her children, and of every | Maryland Colonization Journal, or on business guardian, the child or children under his or her care, of a fit age, to school, when there is a public school in the township, until they shall learn to read, write, and cast accounts; and every father, and if there is no father, then mother, and if there is neither father nor mother, then guardian, the children of whom, or under whose care, are not sent to school, after being notified thereto by the select-men shall be fined at the discretion of the selectmen, not less than twelve and a half cents, nor more than twenty-five cents, for every month that each child is not sent to school; which fines may be collected as small debts be appropriated for the use of public schools.

The 19th section of the ordinance provides, among other things, 'that all male coloured people, who have subscribed the oath to support the constitution, and hold land in the territory in their own right, or who, not holding land, shall pay a tax of not less than one dollar, per annum, for the support of education and for the purposes of government, shall be entitled to vote (being of full age) at elections.'

The 29th section provides, 'that no person shall serve as a juryman, unless he be of the age of twenty-five years, of good name and repute, and shall know how to read and write.'

to the coast. He describes the country as of 'that ro taxes shall be laid in the territory, and which touched at the different colonies on inexhaustible fertility, beautiful in the extreme except for the purposes of defence, of internal the coast of Africa by order of the Secretary in appearance, and thickly peopled by a popu- improvement, education, and the support of

of a trade with the colony. The Rev. Mr. of the colonists as far as mere legislation can vessels of war to call in occasionally at the published for distribution. Wilson, the missionary at the Cape, subse- effect it. But the system cannot go into quently visited a part of the same region of operation in the early periods of the colony's colonies on the coast, is one that must be atcountry, and his account fully corroborates that existence, except but with very partial effect, tended with the happiest results, and is as unless it is promoted and sustained by means | wise as it is liberal and enlightened.

FEMALE SOCIETIES.

sent to the colony, would erect a school house place, as by establishing a single school, but extending in the scope of its operations, until a whole nation shall bless the labors that have enlightened them.

COTTON A LEGAL TENDER.

Since the last annual report, the Board have passed an ordinance making good merchantable cotton, the growth of the colony, a legal

In concluding their fifth annual report, the Board of Managers congratulate the society upon the prosperity that has heretofore attended the colony in Africa, and the bright prospects that are before it; and return sincere and humble thanks unto Him in whose hands are the protecting arm has been so signally displayed over and around it.

All which is respectfully submitted. B. C. HOWARD, President. February, 1837.

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 1837.

This Journal is issued once in two months at 50 cents per annum, and is designed to spread information relative to the 'Maryland colony in Liberia.'

All communications intended for the of the Society, should be addressed to Rev. Ira A. Easter, Home Agent, Colonization Rooms, Post Office Building.

Letters for the missionaries or emigrants at Cape Palmas, sent to this office, (postage paid) will be carefully forwarded by the spring and fall expeditions.

Friends to the cause who wish to send presents to the missionaries, colonists or naare, before a justice of the peace, and shall tives, may leave them in our charge with the assurance of attention.

> Second hand clothing, male and female, here, would be highly valuable in a new coun- from the choir. try, and among new settlers.

We publish in the present number of the Journal, the letter of Captain Nicholson to United States frigate Potomac. the Board of Managers, giving an account of the visit to Cape Palmas of the United States | accompanying documents was finished, the | ing year.

The 5th article of the 'constitution' provides | ship Potomac, of which he was commander, | following resolution was offered by Z. Collins

We have had the pleasure of a personal interview with Captain Nicholson since his It has often been asked of the Board of return in the Potomac, and have derived from with much satisfaction the purchase of Sinou Firmness and consistency have great effect | Managers, in what way female benevolence | him much interesting information in addition | river, between Bassa and Cape Palmas, as the upon them; and the Board have every reason and influence could be brought most efficiently to what his official despatches contain. A fact site for a new settlement under the auspices of stated by him has given us more satisfaction policy of the Board is to improve their condi- most important subject to which the attention | than any that has yet come to our knowledge tion, and to raise them to a level with the of the female friends of colonization can be connected with colonization, in its effects upon colonists, so that, apt as they are for civiliza- directed; and one upon which their efforts may the native African. It will be remembered, prosperous communities of the returning chilthat in a former number of this Journal, we dren of the land, published a simple code of laws that had been prepared for Simleh Balla, king Freeman's John H. B. Latrobe, Esq. and seconded by origines.

The Board have it in view to procure during and pay a teacher; and that the necessary messenger to this country: and Captain Ni
Resolved—That this society find in the roughly adopted by the natives, and are referred to on all occasions of dispute among them .-Many of these laws are in opposition to long established customs, and the willingness of the tion of the moral character of the natives and their amalgamation with the citizens of Mary. land in Liberia.

LIFE MEMBERS.

A few days since an intelligent clergyman of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, in this city, called at the colonization rooms and announced his determination of becoming a life member of the Maryland Colonization Society, by the payment of thirty dollars. This circumstance has afforded encouragement to believe that there are others who are thinking on such matters shall be binding; leaving the Should the plans thus suggested be adopted, more seriously of aiding this noble enterprise. state societies in the United States to pursue the land. He has no large salary upon which | tive colonies. to draw, that he may make deposites in the Lord's treasury, but with an infirm constitu- availed himself of the opportunity to deliver a tion, which deprives him of the privilege of labouring as a stated pastor, he is out of his limited earnings willing to give the most substantial proof of his attachment to the cause. We cannot but hope his example may induce | tion, and when the occasion called for it, lofty many others who are far more able to give | eloquence, the address of Mr. Key could hardly thirty dollars than he is, to come forward to have been surpassed. As one of the earliest the assistance of the society this year, by making themselves life members.

CONFERENCE RESOLUTION.

During the recent session of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, the great pleasure the prospect afforded by the Home Agent of the Maryland State Coloni- recent proceedings of the State Colonization zation Society sent a communication to the Society of Virginia, in determining to found a Conference, soliciting a continuation of the settlement on the coast of Africa, thus erectissues of his fate, and the shield of whose influence and assistance which has been hith- ing there another beacon light of freedom and erto so kindly extended to the agents of the society in every part of the state. In reply by the Rev. Mr. Heiner: to that communication we take pleasure in publishing the following resolution, and letter | experience of their settlement at Cape Palmas, of the secretary of the conference.

BALTIMORE, Md. March 23d, 1837. Rev. IRA A. EASTER,

was adopted by the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist E. Church, at its late session in this place, and grew out of a communication ! made by you in relation to the Maryland State Colonization Society:

the colonization society, and as far as our | the United States, for his noble, manly, and province may extend and duty may require, | conclusive vindication of his country, in the will with pleasure when necessity demands, public discussions which took place at Glasexert our influence to facilitate its operations | gow, during the past year; and that in thus and ensure its success.

With the best wishes for the interesting work in which you are engaged

I remain yours, very respectfully. C. A. DAVIS,

Sec'ry. Balt. An. Con.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The fifth Anniversary Meeting of the Maryland State Colonization Society, was held in Baltimore, on the 8th of March, 1837, in St. | the cause in which they are engaged, entitling Peter's church, in Sharp street.

The chair was taken by Franklin Anderson, Esq. Vice-President, Hugh Davey Evans, Esq. Secretary of the Board of Managers, acting | meeting adjourned to meet again on Thurs-

as Secretary of the meeting. will be thankfully received for the use of the by an address to the throne of grace by the missed with the benediction by the Rev. Mr. colonists. Thousands of articles of little use | Rev. Dr. Henshaw, followed by an anthem | Williams.

> the Corresponding Secretary, together with 9th instant, at half past four o'clock, when extracts from despatches and letters received | Col. Wm. R. Steuart, was appointed chairman, from the colony, by the recent arrival of the | and William F. Giles, Isq. Secretary.

Lee, Esq. seconded by the Rev. Mr. Hamner. 1. Resolved-That the report which has of the Navy. The intelligence thus given by just been read be accepted; and that the lation that manifested great kindness to him on all occasions, and an anxious desire to It will be seen from the above extracts from Captain Nicholson is highly gratifying, and Managers, for their able, energetic, and sucenter into treaties with him, for the purpose the Code of Laws, which has been in force in the source from which it comes entitles it to cessful administration of its concerns, during of having schools established at their respect the colony since it was founded, that full prot the utmost confidence. The policy of the the past year, and that they be requested to tive towns, and participating in the benefits vision has been made to secure the education Navy Department, in directing the public have the report and accompanying documents

Mr. Lee took occasion, in offering the above resolution, to deliver an interesting and eloquent address, in which the prominent views of the colonization scheme were exhibited in strong relief, and happily illustrated.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Fonerden, seconded by Col. Wm. R. Steuart. 2. Resolved-That this society have seen the Mississippi State Colonization Society, and trust and believe that in this manner but few years will elapse before the western coast of Africa shall be girded about with happy and

The following resolutions were offered by

experience of the past year, additional reasons for confidence in the system of state action, under which the state society has acted from its commencement, and that it be recommended to the friends of colonization throughout the United States, who have not yet adopted it, to do so forthwith, as the best means of furthering the great object in view, so far as Africa and the African race are concerned, and as the surest method of counteracting the efforts of the misguided and ill-intentioned to make the subject of slavery one threatening

the dissolution of the Union. 4. Resolved-That the Board of Managers be requested, as soon as they deem it expedient, to take measures to procure a meeting of delegates from the American Colonization Society and States acting on the matter, with the view to the formation of a 'Central Colonization Convention,' where all matters of general interest touching the colonies, of the societies composing the convention, in Africa, may be determined upon, and whose decision their own course of policy at home, and to regulate the internal concerns of their respec-

In seconding these resolutions, Mr. Key most admirable discourse upon the subject of colonization, in its peculiar and most interesting bearings upon the true and best interests of Maryland. For copious information, accumulated facts, close reasoning, happy illustrafriends and most active promoters of the colonization scheme, the presence of Mr. Key at the annual meeting of the state society, was

highly gratifying. Moved by the Rev. Mr. Slicer, seconded by

the Rev. Mr. Easter, 5. Resolved-That this society hail with the gospel.

Moved by Christian Keener, Esq. seconded

6. Resolved-That this society find in the since its first establishment, ample corroboration of the views that induced them to make abstinence from the use of, or traffic in ardent My Dear Sir .- The following resolution | spirits, a fundamental article of the charter of the colonists.

> Moved by William Crane, E-q. seconded by Thomas Kelso, Esq.

7. Resolved-That in the opinion of this society, the Rev. R. J. Breckenridge has enti-Resolved, That we do decidedly sanction | tled himself to the thanks of every citizen of placing the cause of colonization in its true light before the British people, he has relieved its friends from the unfounded misrepresentations of their purposes and motives, which its enemies had long so sedulously circulated.

Moved by the Rev. William Hamilton, se-

conded by William F. Giles, Esq. 8. Resolved-That this society feel profoundly sensible of the protection vouchsafed to their infant colony by a wise and merciful Providence, and entertain the humble hope that it is an evidence of the acceptableness of it to the prayers and kind consideration of the christian community.

On account of the lateness of the hour the day, at half past four o'clock, at the Coloniza-The exercises of the evening were opened | tion Rooms, when the congregation was dis-

The Society met pursuant to adjournment, The Fifth Annual Report was then read by at the Colonization Rooms, on Thursday, the

After the transaction of other business the After the reading of the report and the society proceeded to elect officers for the ensu-