entered into a developement of the System which they deemed peculiarly adapted to the existing state of things in Maryland and best calculated to advance the true interests of the State in relation to the cause without interfering with the Interests of Colonization generally.– It was then explained that for the purpose of carrying this System into operation, it would be necessary to establish a new settlement on the Coast of Africa, for the reception of Emigrants from Maryland; and it was also stated, that, after mature deliberation and diligent inquiry the Board of Managers had fixed upon Cape Palmas, or its immediate vicinity, as admirably calculated, both in an agricultural and commercial point of view, to facilitate the purposes in hand.– It will also be recollected that it was proposed to found the new Colony upon the temperance principle; to make Agriculture the object of primary importance and to introduce a system of education combined with the local Government of the Territory.–

In pursuance of this design the Brig Ann left the Port of Baltimore on the 28th of November last, with Eighteen Emigrants, accom=panied by Dr. James Hall of Vermont, Agent, and the Revd. John Hersey of Virginia assistant Agent of the Society.– The Revd. Messrs. Wilson and

Wynkoop, Missionaries of the American Board of ..... Commissioners for foreign Missions, having applied for a passage to Africa, also went out in the Ann.– The number of Emigrants was purposely small, it being the intention of the Board to procure, if possible, the assistance of the already acclimated Inhabitants of Monrovia, in found=ing the new settlement.–

On the 27th of January the Ann reached Monrovia Roads with all on Board in good health; and Dr. Hall applied at once in writing to Mr. Pinney the Agent of the American Colonization Society, for permission of a limitted number of the Colonists to join the expedition to Cape Palmas.– The unqualified consent of Mr. Pinney having been obtained, Dr. Hall soon procured as many volunteers as he required, and on the fourth of February left Monrovia, with Nineteen adult Males, four boys, three women, and four children.– At Grand Bassa where the Brig remained two days five more volunteers were obtained.– and on the 11th of February the expedition cast anchor in the harbor of Cape Palmas.–

At Sarraway, the Ann was visited by numerous canoes, filled with..... Natives of Cape Palmas, who had received tidings of the intended settlement, and crowded around the Vessel to beg for rum and tobacco. This looked inauspicious to the temperance part of the

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