cally ascending, and with ease subduing, the cur- ports, in connection with the names of subscribers rent of the Mississippi, in comparison with the recently obtained. We are authorized to state John Becket, \$10 00 John Hutchens, feeble and tottering canoe, moving slowly among that the sum of two thousand dollars are pledged Josiah Morsell, the reeds that fringe its shores. It holds up the image of the resistless power of the Mississippi by country gentlemen, with about an equal sum Dr. McDaniel, itself, rushing from the summits of the Rocky | from the citizens of Baltimore. mountains, and marking its deep and broad and rapid course through the heart of this continent, | tion Society acknowledges the receipt of one | Thos. Mitchell, thousands of miles, to the Gulf of Mexico, in comparison with that of an obscure rivulet, winding its undiscernable way through dark and dense forests of luxuriant prairies, in which it is quickly and forever lost.

Gentlemen of the Colonization Society of Kentucky, not one word need be added, in conclusion, to animate your perseverance, or to stimulate your labours, in the humane cause which you have deliberately espoused. We have reason to believe that we have been hitherto favoured, and shall G. M. Hyde, pd. 5 00 James J. Grey, 5 00 continue to be blessed, with the smiles of Providence. Confiding in his approving judgment, and conscious of the benevolence and purity of our intentions, we may fearlessly advance in our great work. And, when we shall, as soon we must, be translated from this into another form of existence, is the hope presumptuous, that we shall there behold the common Father of whites and of blacks-the great Ruler of the Universe, cast his all-seeing eye upon civilized and regenerated Africa-its cultivated fields-its coast stud- John Mercer, 20 00 Wm. H. Hall, Jr. 5 00 ded with numerous cities, adorned with towering | Geo. L. Ditty, temples, dedicated to the pure religion of His Nathaniel Chew, 5 00 Joseph Owens, redeeming Son-its far-famed Niger, and other Benj. Franklin, great rivers, lined with flourishing villages, and John G. Rogers, 5 00 John Carr, navigated with the wonderful power which American genius first successfully applied; and that, Joseph Buecy, 5 00 after dwelling with satisfaction upon the glorious spectacle, he will deign to look with approbation upon us, His humble instruments, who have contributed to produce it?

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 1839.

All communications intended for the Maryland Colonization Journal, or on business of the Society, should be addressed to the Rev. IRA A. EASTER, Home Agent, Colonization Rooms, Post Office Building.

African Letters.

Several letters from the colonists came out in the Oberon directed to their friends in different parts of the state, and sent to our care. Many of them are so imperfectly directed as to render it impossible to know certainly where they should be George W. Weems, sent. Almost every vessel brings out letters under these circumstances, which die on our hands. T.S. Alexander, \$10 00 S. Pinkney, Until the colonists in Africa shall learn to take John Johnson, 10 00 Edward Sparks, more pains in putting the name of the post office H. H. Harwood, 10 00 John S. Selby, near which their friends reside, with the county James Iglehart, 10 00 R. J. Crabb, and the state in which such offices are located G.F. Worthington, 10 00 Leonard Iglehart, 20 00 vessel have been highly favoured by the fever. they cannot expect to receive answers to their | Henry Manadier, 10 00 C. A. Waters, letters sent to this country. Those who write to J. H. Franklin, 10 00 W. Weadon, their friends in Africa should remind them of the Y. Wells, importance of directing their letters correctly. Samuel Ridout, Two letters, directed, one to Susan Harmon, R. M. Gill, another to Jane Wallas, Colbert county, we have | Wm. Grason, sent to Easton, Talbot county, Md. Persons in N.B. Worthington, 10 00 this state wishing to write to their friends in the John Miller, Maryland colony, are informed, that if directed to Cape Palmas, West Africa, and sent to this office, postage paid, they will be promptly and regularly sent out by the next expedition.

may be well to remark, that the board of mana- Wm. B. Stone, gers are always ready to afford every facility to | Samuel H. Beall, 5 00 correspondence between the colonists in Africa J. G. Chapman, 5 00 H. Hambleton, and their friends in the United States. They E. P. Chapman, believe that full and frequent communications George Dent, believe that full and frequent communications, Townley Robey, 3 00 J.B. Montgomery, 1 00 conducted in this way, must produce a very W. W. Robey, favourable impression on the minds of the co- Daniel Johnson, loured people here, and will greatly improve the | Elizabeth Ford, colonists in their habits of writing.

Late intelligence from the Maryland Colony.

The brig Oberon, which took out the fall expedition to Cape Palmas has recently returned to this port, bringing full despatches from Governor J. H. Hawkins, \$5 00 Allison Roberts, Russwurm, with numerous letters from the mis- A. Turner, sionaries and colonists to their friends in the Mary Hawkins, 5 00 United States. We do not remember to have received intelligence from the colony since its settlement so decidedly favourable in all respects. | Philip J. Ford,

Of a number of excellent letters addressed to members of the board, and citizens of this city, a Mrs. Mary Hargraves, few only can be had for publication in the Journal: but not one of them, as far as we have seen, George Tyler, gives any other account of the colony than such

We learn from an intelligent colonist who re- | Steven Beard, tion and religion is such as would scarcely be Thomas Welch, 5 00 Charles Claggett, 10 00 but when it begins to bear, there is a small insect. credited by any but an eye witness. The colony R. Weems, he thinks, has passed through its darkest days, Alfred Sellman, 10 00 and that its future prospects are most encourag- | Richard Sellman, 5 00 ing. His own feelings in regard to it may be John S. Sellman, 30 00 estimated by a single remark—'that the happiest days of his life were those of the last six months Jos. J. Hopkins, \$5 00 R. Hopkins, residence in the colony.'

In publishing the list of contributors to the Cape Palmas packet, Mr. Kennard desired us to B. E. Gantt, say, that the names of the members of the state Basil D. Hall, legislature, who subscribed at Annapolis during | Wm. C. Tyler, the last winter, will appear in connection with Thos. Robinson, 10 00 Steven Rogers, subscriptions in the counties where they reside- | Wm. Jones, thus keeping the amount of county subscriptions John Baldwin,

separate. In the present number we commence publish- M. Hammond, ing all the subscriptions made in the country, J. H. Browne, except the amounts subscribed by members of R. D. Woodward, 5 00 the legislature. During the past year Mr. Ken-nard visited, to a limited extent, a part of Calvert John Rice, and Prince George counties and his and bis and and Prince George counties, and his reports were Lot Warfield, 1 00 then published in detail. At present, the aggre- Henry H. Browne, 1 00

the force and grandeur of a noble steamer majesti- gate amounts only will be stated from these re- Subscriptions obtained by Mr. Kennard in Calvert

The treasurer of the Maryland State Colonizahundred and seventeen dollars and sixty-two cents, Richard Hance, collected by Mr. Roberts in Kent county.

Subscriptions to the Cape Palmas Packet. West River, Anne Arundel County Swamp,

April 26, 1839. Gas. Winterson, \$10 00 James Mitchell, 25 00 Rob't Franklin, 5 00 Geo. Gale, Alex. Franklin, 5 00 Alex. S. Murray, 5 00 Gustavus Weems, 5 00 Jas. Cheston, Jr. 30 00 David G. Weems, 5 00 John Sellman, 2 50 Richard Estep. Wm. Hooper, 5 00 Charles E. Berau, 2 00 James Norman, Wm. R. Norman, 2 50 J. L. Owens, 25 00 Mrs. D. Weems, 2 50 Susa. J. Gott, pd. 10 00 2 50 J. F. Wilson, T. M. Weems, William O'Hara, 50 00 Wm. H. Hall, 5 00 M. Fenwick, Fran. S. Key, Jr. 25 00

Friendship, Anne Arundel Co. Robert Griffin, \$50 00 Richard H. Stump, 2 00 T. J. Lawrence, 50 00 H. N. Gere, J. G. Harrison, 25 00 Jos. O. Fowler, John Scrivener, 25 00 Geo. D. Lyles, 25 00 Jos. Plummer, John Childs, Cos. Sunderland, 25 00 S. F. Robinson, Nathan Childs, 25 00 A. M. Leach, Charles Hodges, 25 00 Mrs. M. Chew, pd.1 00 views and wishes of the board. I am glad to re-Bobert B. Chew, 25 00 Mrs. Sunderland, 1 00 ceive the lumber, and I hope no expedition vessel Robert Garner, 10 00 Miss Armager, Wm. P. Hardesty, 5 00 Miss A. McClean, 1 00 pleased also, to see so much attention paid to our 5 00 Mrs. Whittington, 1 00 | wants by the present shipment. Wm. Armager, 5 00 Mrs. E Wood, Wm. P. Childs, 5 00 Wm. Prout, John Chaney, P. Pindle, . Wood, 5 00 Joseph Smith, Mrs. E. Griffith, 5 00 By a little boy, Samuel Gover, Wm. Webb, \$361 62 Wm. H. Wood, Thos. J. Hall, pd. 5 00 Lower Marlborough.

Annapolis, Anne Arundel Co. 10 00 R. J. Crabb, 10 00 B. Lusby, John Ridout,

Adam Miller, Rev. Lemuel Wilmer's Parish, Port Tobacco, Charles County.

5 00

John Matthews, \$10 00 Wm. Shaw, 5 00 Wm. H. Berry, A. Bateman, Now that we have introduced this subject, it John Furgusson, 5 00 B. W. Blandford, 1 00 5 00 Henry D. Burch, Elizabeth Bean, 5 00 Geo, H. Handy, 1 00 2 00 Matthew Acton, 2 00 Thomas Clark, 2 00 Wm. Clements, 2 00 Samuel Turner, Samuel Adams, 2 00 Mary E. Quad, G. S. Dyson, 1 00 Samuel M. Padget, 25 J. H. Bean, Wm. G. Turner, R. G. Robey,

> Bryantown, Charles County. Mary H. Hawkins, 5 00 Piscataway. Pleasant Hill.

South River, Higgins' P. O. Davidsonville P. O.

5 00 John Iglehart, 5 00 S. H. Dorsett,

Bever Dam's P. O. Geo. A. Barber, 5 00 P. H. Hopkins, John Linthicum, 5 00 G. R. Hopkins, Brotherton P. O.

\$10 00 Wm. Carter, 5 00 Wm. Bryan, 10 00 Alric Osborne, 5 00 R. Sappington, 5 00 Bazel Browne, 5 00 Randolph Webb, James Crown,

County in July, 1838 .- Prince Frederick P. O. 5 00 Benjamin Grey, 5 00 Benj. Morsell, 5 00 S. H. Barber, J. A. Dalrymple, Sam'l Y. Dorsey, 5 00 A. R. Sollers. 5 00 Hickman Harris, James Hooper, 5 00 Benj. Williams, 5 00 Rev. G. W. Israel, 5 00 E. Freeland, 5 00

Isaac Bowen, Port Republic P. O. John Parran, 6 00 Wm. D. Grey, John Hance, Uriah Saville, St. Leonard's P. O.

30 00 James Morsell, \$10 00 Jos. Richardson, James Bond, Waterford, Anne Arundel Co. Md. 5 00 | Charles Waters,

Subscriptions obtained in Bladensburg,

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\$1,695 62 Total,

The Rev. Dr. Proudfit has received advices, that the late Daniel S. Montgomery, of Danville, Penn. has willed to him, (Dr. P.) in trust for the colonization cause, the sum of five hundred dollars.

Extract from Gov. Russwurm's letter to the President of the Maryland State Colo. Society. HARPER, January 17, 1839.

DEAR SIR:-I have only time to acquaint you 2 00 of the safe arrival of the Oberon and passengers. 1 00 | The despatches have come safely to hand, and it 1 00 | shall be my earnest endeavour to carry out all the 1 00 | will leave without bringing as much. We are

Doctors McDowell and McGill have arrived in 2 00 good health. JOHN B. RUSSWURM. Signed,

Extracts from the despatches of Governor Russwurm.

DEAR SIR:-I had the honour of addressing you on August 20th, ult. via. Monrovia; and as \$10 00 | there has been no opportunity of forwarding from thence, you will probably receive these lines as early, though the vessel does not proceed directly 5 00 home. Then affairs appeared rather gloomy, for 5 00 | the reasons therein set forth; and I felt it as much 5 00 duty to inform you of the dark, as I now do to 5 00 give you a detail of better times and prospects.

5 00 | Columbia's emigrants.—The emigrants by this 10 00 | Not an individual has been sick enough to be con-4 00 | sidered really dangerous, consequently, we have 5 00 | had only two deaths, of children, since their arri-10 00 John Collinson, 10 00 | val. They have had so little sickness that I have 10 00 John T. Hodges, 5 00 hired a nurse only about four weeks. It is plea-10 00 Jeremiah Hughes, 10 00 | sant to visit them, as I was received with smiles. 10 00 Alex. Randall, 10 00 I have not to listen to petty grievances which I am unable to remedy. By request of Rev. J. L. \$249 00 | Wilson, they are located on 'Bayard's Island,' in Hoffman's river. Bayard's Island contains, perhaps, 40 acres of good land, I am not much in fayour of the location, but my instructions were imperative.

Farms.—The farms are now looking finely, and I speak within bounds when I assert, that there is more than twice the quantity of land under cultivation this season, than the last. A little pinch-1 00 | ing, scolding, and petting, and driving operations 5 00 R. L. Smallwood, 1 00 on the public farm, have convinced those who had the least spark of industry, that they need not starve unless they chose. A new species of potatoes has been introduced from the public farm. The seed came from Monrovia, and all are delighted with its size and productiveness. The introduction of night guards has prevented the farms from being plundered by the natives.

The want of working cattle cramps all farming to any extent; and I feel it duty to place this subject constantly before the board. I have purchased one yoke for the Tubmans, and should have supplied them with five more, but they are 5 00 | not to be easily procured. A native counts his 5 00 Fr. W. Hawkins, 10 00 | cattle as his money, to purchase wives, and nothing but due necessity ever drives him to part with \$35 00 | them. They know also, that they can get better prices from vessels.

which plays havoc among its pods, before they are fairly ready to be picked. I calculate that 200 pounds have been raised this season. The experiment, so far as it has been tried by the colonists proves, that land should be well broken up and manured, as there was a striking difference in the 5 00 several patches, and where most labour was ex-5 00 pended in preparing the ground, there the plant that this colony should have one at least. was most thriving. Our cotton on the public Dr. Johnson, of Bassa Cove, has bought almost \$30 00 | farm was planted May 5, 1838.

for want of rains; as there were ten or twelve her to Sierra Leone. We stand in more need of 1 00 | weeks in which we had none. Even the cattle | a load of horses and jacks, than we do of emi-1 00 | suffered for want of grass, and those at work had | grants, depend upon it; much progress cannot be 00 to be fed on corn or cassadas. Notwithstanding, made in agriculture without their aid. Let the 1 00 our corn had quite a tolerable look, but when it next expedition vessel land her cargo here first. 1 00 | was harvested the injury which it had sustained | and with a suitable agent, be sent after a full 1 00 from the drought was evident, from the small supply, with provisions or specie as funds. 1 00 | quantity gathered. I planted about one acre, to 5 00 Jane A. Baldwin, 1 00 | shew the colonists who are daily complaining, 5 00 E. M. Woodward, 1 00 | that they could raise corn if they would only put 5 00 R. A. Woodward, 50 forth the requisite quantum of sinews. All cavil-Aletheia Robinson, 1 00 | ling on this head is nearly silenced, as corn has 2 00 Martha R. Cross, 1 00 been harvested two seasons. Our leeward natives 3 00 Mary P. Baldwin, 1 00 raise it so extensively as to load vessels.

without them I could not get along, Besides | what falls every morning from the storehouses of doing all the necessary farm work, they have heaven, clouds, and providence?

hauled country boards, &c. for various individuals. The pair which were first broken are still at work, and have increased in size and value.

Assistant-Agent's house .- Agreeably to instructions, a comfortable house has been erected on Mount Tubman, for the permanent residence of the assistant-agent, who is now stationed there. The Tubmans and others in the vicinity are well pleased with the place; and fancy already they feel a security which they did not before. Thirty acres near will be placed under his superintendence, to test the difference between it, and land exposed as the agency farm is to the deleterious influence of the salt air. The present missiona-\$10 00 John N. Williams, 5 00 ries at Mount Vaughan are pleased with having 5 00 | so good a neighbour.

The mount is being converted into a fortifica-\$31 00 | tion by throwing up a stockade, and digging a trench, six feet wide, around it. In it will be kept the cannon and ammunition, and it will always serve as a place of refuge for women and children in case of war or invasion. True, we fear no war or regular invasion, but we cannot tell how soon another colonist may be foolish enough to act as Parker did, or the party assaulted to take the law into his own hands. On the reserve land I have erected a comfortable dwelling for a family of respectable emigrants, during their six months' sea-

> Free School, No. 1 .- This school still continues in successful operation. The sickness and death of the teacher, O. U. Chambers, has been somewhat of a pull back to it, but I can perceive no sensible diminution in its numbers. On my late visit, forty-nine were present-average forty-two. Not much can be said in favour of their progress, as we want a more competent teacher. As our population extends out in the bush, we shall soon be under the necessity of having another school, somewhere in the vicinity of Mount Tubman. The people there, in a praiseworthy manner, have subscribed liberally in labour, towards putting up a school-house. One has given a site. It is but reasonable that they should look to the society for a teacher after it is finished. We want a tresh supply of Webster's Spelling Books, and cards of A B C. Would it not be well to give some name

to Free School, No. 1? The materials for the Ladies' School House are all ready, and I am only waiting the movements of our only mason, who has been engaged for the last three months at Mount Vaughan. We suffer but little inconvenience, as the house new occupied by Mr. Alleyne for his school, belongs to the society. I am really pleased to have another school in operation, as the Methodist mission have discontinued theirs; and the desire to acquire knowledge is pretty general, its loss being telt sensibly by nearly all who aspire to public office. We have to raise up a class of young men for officers, as we cannot expect to find any among the emigrants duly qualified. In my opinion, the Ladies' Society, by furnishing us with a competent teacher, is conferring a blessing on this colony, which will extend to our remotest

posterity. Summary.—The contents of the late despatches via Boston, are perfectly satisfactory to those in your employ-they are peculiarly so to me, as nothing can be more consoling to a man who is labouring amidst difficulties and discouragements, than to know that his conduct is approved of by his employers.

Considerable addition and repairs have been made to the agency wharf, which has been extended more into the river, and rocks of a large size placed in it. In truth it is almost a new wharf so great have been the labour and alterations. King Freeman assisted me personally throughout the whole of it. A quantity of dirt has been removed from around the store to render it more secure. As it stands, a person of common dexterity can mount the roof very readily from the back side were it not for the watchman. I have lost nothing out of the store for the last year, and I want the natives to know that I keep it constantly in view, and perhaps in time, they will give up the idea of watching it for the purpose of pilfering.

I have been compelled to draw a small bill on you for \$229 in favour of R. T. Sims for trade goods. The store was almost bare, and I sold palm oil for 33, when Liverpool papers quoted it at 45 a 48 per ton. An offer has been made by the W. African Co. to purchase all the rice I can procure. I could enter into nothing definite without advices from you; I could only talk about it without a good supply of trade goods, and a 40 or 45 tons schooner at command. Their chairman is John Blunt, Esq. Levant house, St. Helen's place, London. Should you see proper to correspond, a profitable trade might be driven, if you could supply them with tobacco, deliverable here, in exchange for such trade goods as cannot be easily bought in the United States. The new Public Farm-Has been prosecuted with con- rice shipped from Gassaway alone by slavers, up \$10 00 | siderable energy during the past season, but owing | to November 1, 1838, is upwards of 5,000 croos. to its being a very unfavourable one, not much has | Quantities of it have come down the Cavally since \$5 00 been raised, except cassadas and potatoes. Pains the settlement of the river palaver, and been shipwere taken to have on the ground a quantity of | ped on board slavers in the offing from Half-Cavally manure, and the spot where the cotton seed was | and Baphors. Our natives give the Cavally bush \$10 00 put in was well covered over. It was ploughed a great name for rice and oil. The slavers manage thrice, as it was my determination to give the seed | to collect large quantities of rice, and with suitaas would be gratifying to the friends of the cause. Ann Iglehart, \$10 00 Thos. J. Dorsett, 20 00 a fair trial, but this second experiment has proved ble goods and a vessel, &c. our chance would be 15 00 no better than the first: and if cotton is to be equally as good. They are, however, no sticklers turned in the Oberon, that the progress of educa- Edw. Whittington, 5 00 Priscilla Davidson, 5 0 John Knighton, 10 00 S. A. Claggett, 10 00 but when it begins to bear, there is a small insect Upwards of fifty frame bouses have been erected in the colony within two years—besides ten frames and one church by the missionaries. At Rocktown and the Cavallys are four more, not included above. Nearly three-fourths of them are inhabited.

January 17, 1839.-Much disappointed at not receiving the promised small vessel; all importhe last Monrovia vessel at two or three times its Though in the rainy season, we suffered much | value, since the late attack there, and despatched Very respectfully, dear sir, your humble serv't,

JOHN B. RUSSWURM. Agent Maryland State Colonization Society.

CONTENTMENT .- Is that beast better that hath two or three mountains to graze on, than a little 1 00 Marg. S. Dreury, 50 Our oxen have done exceedingly well; and | bee that feeds on dew or manna, and lives upon