" throughout the State in succession, before the annual
" meeting, to be held in Baltimore on the second Monday
" in December, and at such annual meetings of the
" auxiliaries it shall be the duty of the agent to recommend
" and, if possible, procure that delegates be appointed, and
" provision made for their attendance at the annual
" meeting of this Society: and upon every visit the
" agent shall pay to such Societies he shall correct the
" lists of members held by him. And it shall also be
" his duty to keep an account taken from the records
" of such auxiliaries of the sums contributed by the
" several members respectively; and for the purpose of
" performing the duties pertaining to the agent shall be
" provided with suitable and portable books of record
" to be by him carefully and regularly kept. And the
" agent on the formation of every auxiliary society shall
" procure to be inserted in its constitution or Bye-Laws
" such provisions as are necessary to carry the
" Spirit of this Resolution into full effect.

" And it shall be the duty of said Agent or of
" another agent to be appointed by the Board of
" Managers should the engagements of the first Agent
" in his circuit render it necessary, to prepare and
" superintend the emigration of all emigrants to be
" sent to Liberia by this Society and to receive and
" give advice to all applicants for emigration, and
" to keep a list of the same, their ages, place of
" residence, former owners if manumitted slaves
" distinguishing between those manumitted for the
" purpose of emigration, and others.

" And the said Agent or Agents shall report to the
" Board of Managers whenever so desired, and have
" their record Books and Papers open to the inspection
" of the Board — — And for the services to be
" rendered by the Agent or Agents, they shall receive a
" compensation at the discretion of the Board,
" exclusive of their expences, which, when incurred
" in travelling on the business of the Society shall
" be also paid to them."

It was then on motion

Resolved that a Committee of two be appointed
" to engage a suitable person as agent to this Society
" upon such terms as they may deem reasonable & proper"

Committee. J. H. B. Latrobe & Judge. Price.

The consideration of the By-Laws was then resumed and the following Code adopted.

Bye-Laws
of the
Managers of the Maryland State Colonization Society

1

" The Board of Managers shall meet quarterly, on the first
" Mondays of March, June, September & December.
" They shall also meet whenever it shall be thought
" expedient by either of the Presidents or Vice Presidents
" or by any three of the Managers.

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" At all meetings, the highest in rank of the Presidents
" or Vice Presidents who may be present, shall preside.
" In their absence, any manager may be called to
" the Chair

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" The duties of the Board of Managers shall be, to
" take measures to promote the formation of auxiliary
" Societies throughout the State; to collect funds and
" provide for their proper disbursement, and to do
" whatever may seem to them best calculated to
" accomplish the objects of the Maryland State Colonization
" Society. They shall make a full report of their proceedings
" at every annual meeting of the Society.

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