during which he is employed, besides his necessary travelling expenses when on the business of this Society - His salary & expenses while engaged as travelling agent to be paid out of the collections made by him exclusively. His salary if he is employed as resident agent to be paid out of the funds of the Society.

An order was passed, that the agent be required to receive his instructions from the Executive Committee.

It was also Ordered that the Treasurer pay to Dr Agres the sum of $50 on account of his services as Agent.

The following Resolution was adopted

Resolved that Judge Brice & J. H. B. Latrobe be a committee to procure a Seal for this Society with such appropriate device thereon, as their taste and judgement shall suggest.

The following preamble & resolutions were also adopted

Whereas an early commencement of operations by this Society, in furtherance of the objects for which it was formed will have a tendency to gain for it the public confidence and encourage the friends of Colonization throughout the State the more readily to form auxiliary societies and supply the necessary funds,

Therefore Resolved that this Society will in the month of June next dispatch a vessel with Emigrants to the Colony of Liberia - and that the Executive Committee be and are hereby authorised and requested to adopt the necessary measures to effectuate that object.

Resolved That the Secretary of this Society open a Correspondence with the Secretary of the American Colonization Society at Washington for the purpose of obtaining such documents as will entitle the emigrants from the State of Maryland on their arrival at Liberia to participate in all the rights and privileges of other Colonists.

Resolved that the secretary be requested to subscribe on behalf of this Society for two Copies of the news-paper now published in the Colony and if practicable obtain complete files thereof from the commencement of its publication to the time of subscribing -

Resolved That the Secretary cause notice to be given through the newspapers edited in Baltimore and other places in the State as well on the Eastern as Western Shore, to the free people of Colour - of the intention of this Society to send out a vessel with Colonists - and recommending those who are desirous of embracing the opportunity to register their names with the Agent of the Society without delay

The Board then adjourned to meet on the first Monday of April next at the same place at 4 O'clock P.M.

J. H. Lee

March 21st - 1831

At a special meeting of the board held at Judge Brice's rooms pursuant to notice, were present

George Hoffman 1st Prest.
Thos Ellicott 2d "
N Brice 3d "
John Hoffman Treasurer
Moses Sheppard (absent) John Gibson
Dr Saml Baker J. H. B. Latrobe
Peter Neff C Howard

C Howard was appointed Secretary pro tem.

A letter to the Secretary from Dr Henderson chairman of a Committee appointed by the American Colonization Society, to confer with this board was read -

On motion a Committee consisting of Messrs Geo. Hoffman, Judge Brice, J. H. B. Latrobe and Moses Sheppard was appointed to meet & confer with the Committee of the American Colonization Society.

The meeting then adjourned.

Charles Howard Sec pro

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