a digest of the principles of law of easiest application among a new people - without which they would most probably run into confusion in attempting to apply to their simple situation the complicated regulations of crowded communities in Europe, or this Country - caused to be prepared an Ordinance for the temporary government of the settlement with but comparatively few provisions, but admitting of being extended as the wants of the Emigrants required - They have also had prepared a system of remedies, which they propose to enact in the shape of an Ordinance for the settlement, and which will at once put into the hands of the Emigrants all that will for a long time be necessary to enable them to ascertain understand and protect their rights without a resort to studies and systems as remote as they are incompatible with their present condition Where will be found in the accompanying document, for a full account of the plan upon which the Board have directed the new settlement to be made they refer to the letter of instructions to Dr. Hall a copy of which accompanies this report. In conclusion they have only to remark, that in the execution of the trust reposed in them they have been guided by a wish to procure the strictest economy and accountability as far as consistent with

the best mode of promoting their duties, and they have every reason to believe that the system in this respect upon which they have commenced will ensure both faithfulness and punctuality among the agents of the Society here and in Africa. The invoice book of the Board herewith presented will shew in detail the outfit of the expedition to Cape Palmas - and the Treasurer's acc^t will exhibit the means by which the expedition has thus far been defrayed

"☞ See page 180 for the place where the following matter in red brackets should have been inserted -"

☞ [At the last annual meeting of the Maryland State Colonization Society, held in the City of Annapolis on the 11th of January 1833, among the resolutions that were passed was the following -

"Resolved, That this Society having in view the comfort and happiness of Emigrants in Africa, request the Board of Managers to make particular enquiries with a view of perfecting the system of Colonization, both with regard to the transportation of Emigrants to Africa and the selection there of the best and most appropriate spots for the establishment of such new settlements as increasing emigration may require"

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