In all this the Board have had to assume heavy responsibilities, and to make more exertions than are generally necessary in other benevolent Societies. They have been sustained in the knowledge that they did not toil in vain, but that both Maryland and Africa would be benefitted to a vast extent by the success of Colonization as now prosecuted by the Society. The liberal appropriation of the Legislature, which is applicable only to the removal and support in Africa of the emigrants, could not be looked to, for means to purchase the Territory, and put it into a condition to receive coloured persons from Maryland. This could only be done by soliciting contributions from individuals, and placing the Society among the benevolent institutions of the day, relying for support upon the generous and philanthropic feeling of the public. —

To the Public do the Board of Managers now most earnestly appeal. Aid is now all important; it is absolutely essential, to enable the Board to advance a step farther. Without it, the good that has been effected may be obliterated; the Colony that has been planted may be exposed to hardships and suffering, — the example, that has been set, of dealing with the African, without that poison rum to destroy his knowledge of the rights he is parting with will be lost — a foothold for the white man as the messenger of God's holy word, where he can preach to the Heathen, and yet live, may have to be abandoned — and Maryland again fall back to the hopeless condition in regard to her coloured population, in which she was before the plan of the Maryland Colonization, was originated and presented

to the public. Present aid is what is most wanting. —

The smallest contributions will be accepted most gratefully, and the Board trust that in a crisis like the present, when the amount of a few thousand dollars is all that is required to secure the great benefit which the new Colony holds out, all will be ready to give, to assist in discharging the debt to Africa and her people, which centuries have been accumulating over America.

By order of the Board, Daniel Murray, Pres.t

The Board then adjourned without date.

Edw.d St. Carter
Clk to the Board

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Maryland State Colonization Society held at their Office on the 3.d day of October 1834, pursuant to special notice

Were present A. Bruce Vice Pres.t in the Chair.
Luke Tiernan,
Moses Sheppard,
Franklin Anderson,
Dr. Sam.l Baker,
Hugh D. Evans Rec. Sec
Jno. H. B. Latrobe Cor. Sec,
and the Rev.d Wm. McKenney local Agent

A letter from the Rev.d James Reid dated Hagerstown Sept.r 25.th 1834, enclosing a Check for $111:66; also a letter from Rev. Wm McKenney dated A. A. County Sept.r 24. 1834. were read to the Board

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