some portion of the States annual appropriation in advance. This practice has gone on frequently to increase with the increasing wants of the Society until the entire appropriations for 1839 has been anticipated by the expeditions in 1838 - leaving at the end of the year 39 - a deficiency of 11.000 dolls -

The commercial credit of the Society is good, all its engagements have been punctually fulfilled, and up to the time no dishonour has taken place - this well established credit is a valuable auxiliary aid, but to be truly useful it must be used with discretion and not abused.

It appears to your Committee that the Society must now set about providing means in due time to meet the existing demands against it. The voluntary collections taken up throughout the state may afford some relief, but as the expenses of travelling Agents and the printing & conducting the Societys Journal are first defrayed from this source - it is not expected any considerable amt. can be relied on from this resource - yet your Committee would respectfully recommend that the agents be instructed earnestly to attend to this duty - and accomplish all they can.

If no further aid can be had from the state, your Committee see no other mode at present than to rely in part on Bank accommodations to meet existing demands - and by a rigid adhearance to Economy reduce as much as possible the annual expenses -

All which is respectfully submitted
Balto 7 Feb: 1839 -

Thos. Wilson,
Jno. G. Proud,
Hugh D. Evans.

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Maryland State Colonization Soc'y at their office on Wednesday the 20th Mar 1839. present

John H. B. Latrobe President,
Hugh D. Evans
John G. Proud
Wm K Stuart
Wm Mason
Thomas Wilson
William Crane

The President made sundry verbal communications to the Board which required no specific action; namely some recent intelligence received from the Colony thro' the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions; and various propositions submitted by Judge Wilkeson General Agent of the American Col Soc'y on the subject of trade & the commercial relations of the Societies. —

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