best evidence of its wisdom, and attribute to it, in a great degree, the freedom of the State from the excitement which during the past year, has agitated the country at large on the subject of slavery.

On motion of Mr. Gantt, member of the House of Delegates, and seconded by Mr. Jones, also a member of the House of Delegates,

3d. Resolved, That it is deemed expedient for further promotion of the cause of colonization in the State of Maryland, to hold a Convention of its friends in the city of Baltimore, on day of next, and that the Board of Managers be requested to take such measures as may be necessary to give publicity to this call, and to procure a full representation from the counties of the State.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell,

4. Resolved, That the thanks of the Society be presented to the clergy who have hitherto taken up collections in aid of the Society, and that they be respectfully solicited to continue their good offices in this respect, by inviting their congregations to contribute to its aid on the Sunday succeeding the fourth of July next.

The Hon. Judge Chambers, also addressed the meeting.

The various resolutions passed were supported by the gentlemen offering them with spirit and ability; and the general merits of the cause of Colonization and its peculiar claims upon the people of Maryland, were

fully discussed and most eloquently elucidated.

The resolution to call a State Convention, met with the most universal and hearty approbation.

On motion, the meeting adjourned sine die.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the first Thursday in June next be fixed for the meeting of the convention directed to be called by the third of the foregoing resolutions.

On motion,

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to prepare an address to the people of Maryland, inviting them to send from their respective counties a full representation to the June convention of which committee the president shall be a member.

Jno. H. B. Latrobe
John L. Carey } Committee
Hugh D. Evans

The following ordinance was then submitted by Mr. Evans and on motion unanimously adopted - and ordered to be transmitted to Gov. Russwurm.

A declaratory ordinance touching the sovereignty of Maryland in Liberia.

Whereas the Maryland State Colonization Society was formed for the purpose of founding on the Western coast of Africa a free independent and sovereign republic to be

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