at his trade, but if willing to engage in farming can have his hands, and if industrious his wages too. He must have the confidence of the colored people, and this confidence can be secured only by representing facts, and summing to exercise confidence in them. So truly is it, that confidence begets confidence, as long as we seem to lack confidence, so long will they stand aloof from us. Bro. Mr. Thomas proceeded to Cambridge, which place reached at 9 o'clock at night.

Saturday, called on Doct. Thompson and Mr. Dayton, determined to hold meeting at the Dayton office at 8 o'clock in the Evening for the purpose of preparing a constitution and list of officers to be submitted to the contemplated public meeting on Monday at 11 o'clock. Meeting in the evening well attended, several prominent citizens present. Prepared constitution & list of officers and determined to have notice of our meeting on monday announced from the pulpits of the several churches on Sabbath.

Reached on Sabbath evening to a full house in Easton.

Monday at 11 o'clock held public meeting largely attended, much interest manifested, addresses from Mr. L. Goldsborough Esq. and myself, organized large Society, ~~and that~~ composed of best men in the County, and think our cause in Dorchester will go ahead. In afternoon left for Easton, arrived at Sun down and stay with Mr. Groome Esq. No meeting had been called for the organization of the Talbot Ladies African education Society. Mrs. T. R. Lockerman

President of Talbot Colonization Society who will see to it that the cause presented by Capt. Parrott, to whom conduct reference was had in a letter from Doct. Valiem of Denton, Friday morning. Saw John Dickinson Esq. Executor of Saml. Harris Esq. dec. after Harrison had left, and have reason to hope. On honored and good servants to be free, nothing said about Africa or Colonization. They are represented to be the best family of servants in Talbot, and therefore hopes they may be induced to get Cape Palmas, will do all he can to effect this object and write us. Servants cannot be free in Talbot, the question is settled, they must leave the state or choose masters.

From Easton proceeded to Centreville with design of holding a public meeting if thought best by our friends, arrived at 6 o'clock, distance twenty two miles. Saw Colo. John Seldemarr, President of Queen Anns County Col. Soc. with whom had a long and very interesting conversation on the subject of Colonization, in connection with the affairs of our country generally. Colo. S. thought it best to defer the public meeting, farmers are busy preparing for a harvest, - is anxious to have a meeting, but thinks the fall, when I reach visit the County more favorable than now. Colo. S. has seen letters from the South which have alarmed him, fears a separation of the Union, will certainly unless a different course be adopted at the North. Should the Union divide, would be a great calamity - but specially and overwhelmingly to the South.

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