ers. Members of this infant Community, which is just Struggling into life. Unable to sustain our selves without the Aid of the Benefactors which brought us into existence. We with with heavy ~~hearts shrink~~ at the thought of having to lay open before the Board of Managers of the Maryland State colonization Society such disgraceful Crimes as the above documents will show.

We hope that the Hon.ble Board will excuse and Pardon all that may have been said amiss. But we feel at this time, that if any thing will call the attention of the Board of Managers of the Md. St. Col. Soc., to the Voice of the People of Maryland in Liberia! this shocking afair will.

Will these documents say that prejudice led us to this step? (we think we hear you say) no) is it the love of Vice that led us to this? no sirs, the Fear of its consequences; among us an Ignorant People. We appeal to you our Benefactors and ask you to think of our poor Children who can tell tell you that James Thomson had confessed that he had cohabited with a native woman and that he was tried for that offence but he got clear, And again that he has had the same intercourse with two little orphan girls under his care But as there was no evedence but the little girls, there evedence were not taken, think of two Children between eleven and fourteen year of age and not well grown for that age to be brought up before a Court to defend themselves without friend or attorney. as he was tried by the Court he was acquitted Here Gentlemen we solmnly protest against the proceeding throughout