more Inspection 3d Resolved that the various circum-
stances under which the Colony is placed at this
time be considered as mitigating the offence of
Charles Butler for the action be referred to the Governor
and his decision be final. Extracts from the minutes of the
Board Meeting augt 27th 1838 signed T. Perry, Col. Sec. &c.

Upon which Resolved that the Board
the measures adopted by the agent are in their opinion
was only to please the natives and satisfy long cherished envy

It was then Resolved that a committee of five be
appointed to draw up a remonstrance stating our wrongs
then made abolition & slavery allow to show that a large
majority of the citizens took hold of that movement
as a high handed measure and consider it the last move
to give the lives of our wives and children into the hands
of the savages around us who thirst for our Blood

It is Resolved that we deem the proceeding of
the governor unconstitutional in the case of Capt
Charles Butler It was further Resolved that the sentence
of Banishment shall not go into effect as he has
been condemned without right of trial and demanded
his liberty without a hearing Resolved that
Nathan Lee Esqr David Wilson Esqr Anthony Howard
Henry Gilbert and Nicholas Lee Brown Junr Esqrs
appointed on that Committee, Viz said Committee
shall as early as possible gather such facts and connected
such Evidence that further may be done to both parties
to prepare the said Remonstrance that one copy be handed
to the agent of the Maryland State at Liberia and one
copy to be sent to the board of Managers of the
Maryland Society of the United States & to make a
Petition against our residing under such a tyrannical
tyranny The meeting then adjourned and left the
Papers for signers who had not an opportunity of being
at the meeting Signed Stephen Smith - Chairman
Paul Santy - Sec -

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II. Correspondence Received
A. Letter Books

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