THE CONSTITUTION

OF THE

PENNSYLVANIA COLONIZATION SOCIETY.

The Pennsylvania Colonization Society was incorporated January 6th, 1830. At the Annual Meeting of the Society, held October 14th, 1867, several amendments were unanimously adopted, which were approved by the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia, December 7th, 1868.

The Constitution of the Pennsylvania Colonization Society, as amended, embraces *three objects*, namely: 1. African COLONIZATION; 2. African CIVILIZATION; 3. African EVANGELIZATION. Our work contemplates the moral elevation of the whole continent of Africa, by the instrumentality of men of African descent.

The Pennsylvania Colonization Society is now authorized, by its amended Charter, "to accept all donations, devises and bequests of money and property, and to apply the same towards the promotion of said objects."

Donations will be received for the outfit, passage and acclimation of emigrants; for the education of the children of the emigrants and of the aborigines; for the planting of Missionary colonies in the interior of Africa, and for the erection of school-houses and houses for religious worship. Each donor can designate the manner in which he desires to have his gift applied.

We hope that a collection may be taken up annually, in each church, during the month of July. Annual Membership, $2. Life Membership, $30.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be called THE PENNSYLVANIA COLONIZATION SOCIETY, and shall be auxiliary to the AMERICAN COLONIZATION SOCIETY.

ARTICLE II. The objects of this Society shall be to aid the colonization of Africa, by voluntary colored emigrants from the United States, and to promote there the extension of Christianity and Civilization.

ARTICLE III. The Officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, twelve Managers, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall together compose a Board of Managers, of whom five shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. The Officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Society, and they shall have power to fill all vacancies. And in case there shall be no election at any Annual Meeting, the Officers of the preceding year shall continue in office until successors shall be selected by the Society.

ARTICLE IV. The Society shall meet at Philadelphia, on the second Monday of October in each year, for the purpose of electing officers and receiving the Report of the Board of Managers, and until the first election the persons now associated as officers of the Pennsylvania Colonization Society shall be the officers of this Society, with all the powers and authorities given to such officers by this Constitution.

ARTICLE V. Any person, being a citizen of the State of Pennsylvania, may become a member of this Society upon paying annually two dollars or upwards to the Treasurer of the Society, and every person who shall at any one time subscribe and pay thirty dollars or upwards, shall be a member for life. A member may, at any time, discontinue his subscription by notifying the Treasurer thereof.

ARTICLE VI. This Society shall be authorized to accept all donations, devises, and bequests of moneys and property, and to apply the same towards the promotion of said objects, provided that the annual income of this corporation shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars, nor shall said Society pass any By-Laws contrary to the Constitution and Laws of the United States and the State of Pennsylvania.

PENNSYLVANIA
COLONIZATION SOCIETY.

OFFICE,

609 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

The following Officers and Managers were elected, by ballot, at the Forty-third Annual Meeting of the PENNSYLVANIA COLONIZATION SOCIETY, held on Monday, October 11th, 1869:—

OFFICERS AND MANAGERS FOR 1869-70.

President—ELI K. PRICE.

VICE PRESIDENTS.

Gerard Ralston,	W. L. Helfenstein,	John A. Brown,
John Bell, M. D.	W. H. Allen, L.L.D.	Samuel A. Crozer,
James Bayard,	David Stewart,	Asa Packer,
George B. Wood, M. D.	Charles M. Reed,	T. De Witt Talmage,
Stephen Colwell,	John Marston, U. S. N.,	Alfred R. Potter,
Howard Malcom, D. D.	S. S. Schmucker, D. D.,	J. Spencer Kennard,
Hugh L. Hodge, M. D.	Thomas Sully,	A. Pardee,
William B. Stevens, D. D.	John W. Claghorn,	Albert Barnes,
Samuel H. Perkins,	M. Simpson, D. D.,	Ambrose White,
Joseph Harrison,	James Pollock,	Theophilus Stork, D. D.
William F. Packer,	William E. Schenck, D. D.	James M. Pendleton, D. D.
Alexander Brown,	L. P. Gebhard, M. D.	C. H Payne.
E. F. Rivinus, M. D.	George D. Boardman, D. D.	
Archibald McIntyre,	Thomas M. Howe,	

RECORDING SECRETARY,
JOHN W. DULLES.

TREASURER,
PETER C HOLLIS.

MANAGERS.

William V. Pettit,	Edward D. Marchant,	J. P. Michellon,
Thomas S. Malcom,	Alexander Reed, D. D.	John T. Lewis,
Arthur M. Burton,	James M. Ferguson,	P. S. Henson, D. D.
Samuel E. Appleton,	Robert B. Davidson,	Edward Coles.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT TREASURER,
THOMAS S. MALCOM.

ANNUAL DONATIONS.

May we not have the pleasure of entering your name as a donor, annually, so long as God may give you the ability? Will not each reader resolve to give, or collect ten dollars, or more, for the great work of civilizing and Christianizing Africa by the instrumentality of pious colored men?

HAVE YOU MADE YOUR WILL?

The great work of African Colonization has been largely carried forward by the legacies bequeathed by those who desired the welfare of Africa and her sons. In your legacies do not forget this important cause. If thousands cannot be set apart, let hundreds be designated. At least, make a son or pastor a Life Member, and thus the evangelization of Africa will be promoted.

FORM OF A LEGACY.—I give and bequeath to THE PENNSYLVANIA COLONIZATION SOCIETY, the sum of .....dollars, for the benevolent purposes of the Society, and I hereby direct my executor or executors, to pay said sum to the Treasurer of said Society, free of all taxes, within.....months after my decease.

[If the bequest is of personal or real estate, so describe it, that it can easily be identified.]

BOOKS AND CLOTHING.

Donations of Clothing, Books and Newspapers, for adults and children, will be very acceptable; also mechanical and agricultural tools, household utensils, and seeds for planting.

LETTERS.

All communications on business with, or enclosing donations for the Society, to be addressed to REV. THOMAS S. MALCOM, Colonization Rooms, 609 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

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