darkness and the shadow of Death.—

In nothing the impressions that have been made upon the coloured population, it is a highly gratifying circumstance that the intelligent and industrious cultivators of the soil evince, in accordance with the well known tendency of agricultural pursuits to develope the manly points of character, the most lively sensibility to the exertions of the benevolent in their behalf.— Many of the free coloured farmers of Maryland have already availed themselves of the liberality of the State, and a still larger number await but the settlement of their domestic concerns, to follow in a path which leads to prosperity and independance. Nothing is hazarded in the remark that the company of emigrants in the Lafayette, might compare for respectability of deportment, for intelligence and firmness, with men selected under similar circumstances from any people upon earth.— The animating character of that enterprize is too notorious to require other than a passing comment here.— the able managers of the State fund having detailed the facts connected with it to the Supreme Authority, it is judged more correct to refer to their report, than to recapitulate it's statements in this document.— A Report to this Board from the Executive Committee is herewith submitted, shewing the faithful and energetic manner in which they have fulfilled on that occasion, the injunctions of the Managers to co-operate with the State Commissioners,— and also the particular application of the means placed at their disposal.—

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