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The Board of Managers meet on the 1st of January in every year, at the Colonization House, in the City of Baltimore.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE MARYLAND STATE COLONIZATION SOCIETY.

In presenting to the State Colonization Society, their sixth annual report, the Board of Managers feel themselves called upon to acknowledge with humble gratitude, the favour, which, during the past year, has been vouchsafed to their labours by a wise, merciful, and overruling Providence. In the brief period of the Society's existence, this has ever been the case; but never has it been so evident as in the last twelve months, not only in the situation of the colony, but also in the state of feeling in Maryland, among those who are the immediate objects of the State Society's exertions.

Since the date of the last annual report, the Board have lost two of their most valuable members. Peter Hoffman, Esq. died in Baltimore, on the 12th day of May last, and Charles Carroll Harper, Esq., died in France, near Paris, on the 23d of June, following. Both of these gentlemen were Vice-Presidents of the Society, and were also among its founders. They were among the earliest friends of colonization in this State, and the records of the American Colonization Society shew how diligent they were in the prosecution of the interests of that institution, before the State Society was formed. Mr. Hoffman, and his two brothers, one the first president of the Society, the other its Treasurer, all now dead, were surpassed by none in the zeal and great liberality which they manifested on all occasions in the cause of colonization. Mr. Harper, inheriting from his father his attachment to the scheme, devoted to it talents of the highest order, and as its advocate before the people, and as its supporter in the legislature of the State, rendered to it the most important services.

During the year just ended, the Board of Managers have despatched their eighth and ninth expeditions to Maryland in Liberia. The brig Baltimore sailed on the 17th May, with fifty-five emigrants, and on the 28th November, the Niobe, which had carried out the fall expedition of 1836, sailed on her second voyage with eighty-five emigrants more,

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