consists in the necessity of uprooting prejudices, or taking the crooks and angles out of old established lines of progress. Less of this should be encountered in the new effort of educating Africa. There is clearer space for a better kind of enterprise. Every thing, therefore, whether men, mind, means, books, appliances, should be such as to constitute an advance in the right direction, when employed for this purpose.

No one can overlook the provision made by Providence in this country for affording, or supplimenting in rich abundance, to Africa, the instrumentality which circumstances render needful there. The free colored race is provided here for such great purposes. Missions in lands less suitable to our constitutions than to theirs ought to belong to them. Many regions of the world offer conditions of climate which require that the colored race should take its share in forwarding our Lord's work on earth. Continents and islands there are, east, west, and south, in which, with the requisite piety, intelligence, and daring, they would form the most effective missionaries. To them, if the needful training be afforded, must Africa look for a supply of intelligent teachers, suitable to the circumstances and to the demand. To open up this prospect before their minds, to carry it into their schools, and give it a place among their expanding ideas, ought, I conceive, to be the object of all who are interested in their welfare.

I am, dear sir, yours most truly,

J. Constantine Adamson.

TRAVELLING AGENT'S REPORT, FOR JULY, 1855.

Dr. James Hall, *Dear Sir*:—I send you herewith an account of the contributions made to the funds of the Maryland State Colonization Society, during the month of July, with the names of the respective donors:

Cambridge.

Daniel M. Henry, W. L. Hearn, each, $5; James Wallace, James Dixon, each, $3; Thomas W. Anderson, $2 50; Dr. F. P. Phelps, James A. Stewart, Rev. T. P. Barber, W. R., Dr. A. C. Thompson, each, $2; Miss Maria J. Anderson, James B. Mills, James H. Bradshaw, Levi S. Dail, Dr. Thos. H. Handy, E. Shepherd, Gardner Bayley, Thos. H Hicks, Thos. I. Dail, E. Griswold, each, $1; Miss M. B. Anderson, Thomas J. Cornwell, each, 50 cts.....Total, $39 50

Baltimore.

Fayette Street M. E. Church.—H. W. Drakeley, E. C. Thomas, each, $10; John W. Barry, Benjamin Darby, each, $5; W. Welch, Mrs. John W. Welch, Charles E. Welsh, Henry Hoover, L. Wilson, each, $1; Basket Collection, $6.....Total, 41 00

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Charles Street M. E. Church.—Michael Herr, $50; Mrs. Sargeant, C. R Fite, Miss H. McC——, W. W. Byrn, J. Williams, each, $5; Miss M. H. Benson, $1; Basket Collection, $29 10.....Total, 105 10

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Miscellaneous.—J. Irvin Smith, L. M. Warner & Co. each, $5; W. H. Brown & Bro. Cash, (F.,) S. Kramer, Miss Delia Robinson, each, $1.....Total, 14 00

Total for July, $284 00

Respectfully submitted,

Baltimore, July 30, 1855. John Seys, *Travelling Agent.*

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IMPRUDENCE versus CLIMATE.

It has been frequently urged upon our attention, that, from the very beginning of the efforts of the Colonization cause, a very large proportion of the mortality which has occurred among those who have gone to Africa, both whites as well as colored persons, has been the result of causes, other than the effects of the climate, and it has been suggested by a friend, that a few remarks on this subject may neither be inappropriate nor untimely.

As one of the comparative *few* who have had the opportunity of seeing things as they are in Liberia, we are decidedly of the opinion, that the climate has been blamed, slandered, vilified, and cast out as evil, only evil, and that continually, and all the deaths put down to its malaria and coast fever, when in reality, either the ignorance, or imprudence, or wilfulness, of the parties themselves, or all combined, have had more to do with their dying than the climate.

That there is a risk in going to Africa from any part of the temperate zone, we readily admit, and that all who go there, with but very few exceptions, will need to pass through an acclimating process, during which they will be sick, very sick, and some may even die, is also conceded, but that every white person, and all the emigrants who die there, die exclusively from the effects of the climate, we most unhesitatingly deny.

Imprudence has been the perpetrator of many an act of manslaughter, which has been set down to the climate. And instances in proof of the facts may be taken from either class, white or colored, missionary, or emigrant, or from seafaring men, master or sailor.

Let us select a few instances. A young man, Missionary teacher, who went out in the year 1834, determined to use every precaution, and if possible, try to live to be useful. Before he was attacked with fever, he literally starved himself. Crackers and water, or a little weak tea, was all he would eat, with perhaps a little rice. Most rigorously did he adhere to this self-denial. When the fever came, it found him quite debilitated from this self-

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