decided action on the proposal made by Mr. Mitchell is taken, it is important that the Board should ascertain more fully the exact plans of the State Board.

The committee recommended the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved, That this Board recognize it as a settled principle of their action to allow each State Society auxiliary to the American Colonization Society to take the entire charge and control of the collection of funds; including the appointing of agents, within its own borders.

Resolved, That this Board will learn with pleasure of the resuscitation of the Indiana State Colonization Society, or of the formation of a new state auxiliary society in that State, and will cheerfully accord thereto the right specified in the preceding resolution.

R. R. GURLEY, *Chairman.*

On motion, the report was accepted, and the resolutions recommended therein were adopted.

The Standing Committee on Accounts presented the following report:

Your committee having examined the vouchers of the Treasurer, find them correct so far as the cash account is stated, and not doubting the bonds and cash on hand to be correctly stated, have certified the same.

They would append three suggestions, in the form of resolutions, as follows:—

First—Resolved, That the financial year shall close on the 20th day of December of each year.

Secondly—Resolved, That whatever funds are received by the Treasurer for the use of the Society, be carefully and fully reported each month in the African Repository.

Thirdly—Resolved, That in all cases where State Societies, in co-operation and with consent of the Executive Committee of this Society, fit out expeditions or expend money for education, or in any other appropriate way, the same, when reported with satisfactory vouchers, shall be entered by the Treasurer as a cash account, both on the credit and debtor side.

All of which is respectfully submitted, J. B. PINNEY.

On motion, the report was accepted, and the resolutions proposed were adopted.

The special committee on the Annual Report presented the following report, which was adopted:

The committee have read the whole report with great interest, and would recommend that the same be referred to the Executive Committee for publication.

They recommend that the Corresponding Secretary be requested to read such portions at the meeting this evening as may in his judgment be most interesting.

They would further recommend that the total sums contributed by each State through the year 1856, be published in connection with the Annual Report. J. B. PINNEY.

On motion, a committee was appointed to nominate Secretaries and the Executive Committee for the ensuing year.

The Rev. Drs. Sunderland, Doggett, and Haight, were appointed said committeee.

The committee nominated the following named gentlemen, who were duly elected:

Corresponding Secretary, Rev. R. R. Gurley.
Financial Secretary, Rev. W. McLain.
Travelling Secretary, Rev. John Orcutt.
Recording Secretary, J. W. Lugenbeel, M. D.

Executive Committee, Harvey Lindsly, M. D. Hon. E. Whittlesey, Joseph H. Bradley, Esq. A. O. Dayton, Esq. William Gunton, Esq. W. W. Seaton, Esq. Rev. George W. Samson.

The special committee on the Society's ship presented the following report, which was accepted, and the resolutions appended thereto were adopted:

The committee to whom was referred so much of the Annual Report and the Statement of the Executive Committee as relates to the new packet ship, report,

That in the narrative of events connected with this generous gift, which marks an era in the Society's affairs, they find occasion of gratitude to God and of gratulation among the friends of colonization, as well as special cause of admiration toward the liberal benefactor of the Society, and toward the magnanimous disinterestedness of those influential friends of colonization in Maryland who co-operated in securing the donation in trust to this Society.

As a permanent expression of the sentiments entertained by the Board of Directors on this subject, the committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That this Board have learned with the greatest pleasure, that the noble and generous purpose of the late John Stevens, deceased, to place at the disposal of this Board a new and valuable ship to ply between the United States and Liberia, has been fully carried into effect; and that the Mary Caroline Stevens has sailed upon her first voyage, with the prayers and the best wishes of the friends of the colonization cause.

Resolved, That this Board tender their heartiest thanks to Messrs. John H. B. Latrobe, Elisha Whittlesey and James Hall, Trustees of the Stevens donation, for their most valuable services in carrying into effect the instructions of the late Mr. Stevens, with respect to the disbursement of funds entrusted to their care for the building of the vessel to be held by them in trust for the American Colonization Society.

Resolved, That this Board take great pleasure in expressing their obligations to the Managers of the Maryland Colonization Society—to Messrs. F. W. Brune, Thomas Wilson, and other friends in Baltimore, for their liberal contributions, and for the lively interest they have manifested in the building and in the equipment of the Society's vessel.

Resolved, That this Board highly approves of the action of the Executive Committee in insuring the Mary Caroline Stevens, for the sum of forty thousand dollars; and that the Committee be instructed to continue the insurance from year to year, to the full value of the ship.

Resolved, That the Committee be instructed to employ Dr. James Hall, or some other suitable person, at Baltimore, as an agent to have the charge of the Mary Caroline Stevens; for such commissions as may be agreed upon by the agent and Committee.

Resolved, That the Board record with very great pleasure their deep gratitude toward their liberal benefactor, the late John Stevens, of Talbot County, Maryland, for his generous response to our appeal for a fund to build a Liberia Packet for the use of the Society by a donation of thirty-six thousand dollars.

Resolved, That the disinterested and protracted services of Dr. James Hall, in superintending the building of the packet, are acknowledged as having laid the Society under weighty obligations, and eminently entitling him to our thanks.

J. B. PINNEY, *Chairman.*

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the salaries of the Corresponding and Financial Secretaries for the ensuing year be referred to the Executive Committee, with power.

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