We omitted a Report of our Annual Meeting held at Annapolis in our last number. It being out of time now, we merely copy a sketch of the proceedings which we prepared for the City papers of the next day.

MEETING OF THE MARYLAND STATE COLONIZATION SOCIETY.

ANNAPOLIS, *Feb.* 11, 1858.

A public meeting of the Maryland State Colonization Society was held last evening in the Senate Chamber.

The meeting was opened by prayer from the Rev. E. R. Veitch, chaplain of the Senate.

After which the president of the society, the Hon. Charles Howard, took the chair.

On motion, the Hon. Edmund Law Rogers, of the House of Delegates was appointed secretary.

His Excellency the Governor of the State was especially invited to attend the meeting, and appeared soon after its organization.

Mr. Howard, from the chair, then made a few pertinent remarks in regard to the objects of the society, giving a brief history of its organization and its early connection with the State government. As Mr. H. has been connected with the society from its incipiency to the present time, and for many years has held the responsible office of one of the board of State managers, his remarks were of peculiar interest.

Judge Chambers, ever the friend and patron of the society, then made a brief, but earnest address, declaring his continued interest in the cause and his confidence in its ultimate utility, commending it especially to the favorable consideration of the Legislature of the State.—Dr. Hall then offered the following resolutions, which were supported by the Secretary of the meeting, Mr. Rogers, in a speech of much cogency, evincing no inconsiderable knowledge of the subject of colonization and of the geography and resources of Africa.

"Whereas the State of Maryland early adopted the system of African colonization, independently and by itself, as a matter of State policy, and has steadily persevered in the same through a long series of years, involving great pecuniary outlay, even in times of severe financial embarrassment, and whereas the results of this policy have not only been the establishment of a settlement on the coast of Africa, capable of receiving any number of emigrants that may be likely to leave the State during that period from the baleful excitement which has prevailed, to a greater or less extent, throughout the Union; and whereas many other States, both North and South, witnessing these results, have followed the example of Maryland, and appropriate funds for the promotion of colonization; therefore be it

"*Resolved*, That the Maryland State Colonization Society do most earnestly and respectfully recommend a continuation of the policy so long pursued by the State, in such form and manner as the honorable Legislature now in session shall deem most judicious and expedient.

"*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Society are due to his Excellency the Governor of the State for commending the subject to the Legislature in his inaugural message."

The Rev. John Seys, for many years the agent of this Society, and but recently returned from founding the new settlement of Careysburg, interior to Monrovia, was then introduced to the meeting, and commenced his address by offering the following resolutions:

"*Resolved*, That the cause of African colonization continues to merit the earnest support of all humane and Christian people, and that its importance as a humanizing agency is every year more and more apparent.

Resolved, That the Maryland State Colonization Society, as the instrument and almoner of the State's bounty in establishing the colony at Cape Palmas, stands second to no other missionary association, having put in operation the most extensive measures for the conversion of the heathen to civilization and Christianity, and elevating a people so long slumbering in ignorance to the rank of mankind.

The address of Mr. Seys—interspersed as it was with incidents of African manners and life, descriptions of what he had himself seen and done, the exhibition of letters and documents from officials and private citizens of Liberia—was listened to with the deepest interest. His detailed account of taking the new emigrants into the interior and founding the settlement of Carysburg, some fifty miles from the coast, and the evidences following of its unusual salubrity, was most highly gratifying to the friends of the enterprise.

The Rev. Dr. Cullum, one of the Society's travelling agents, then offered the following resolutions, accompanied by a few general remarks

Resolved, That this Society view with great satisfaction the establishment of the new settlement of Carysburg, to test the climate of the interior, and receive the reports therefrom with great thankfulness, evincing as they do its superior salubrity.

"*Resolved*, That the Rev. John Seys, the founder of that settlement, deserves the lasting gratitude of all the friends of the cause for the energy and ability displayed in successfully accomplishing so important and responsible an undertaking. Also that the thanks of this meeting be tendered him for the vivid and interesting address with which he has favored us."

On motion the Meeting adjourned.

We append a copy of the letter of instruction from the President to the Travelling Agents.

REV. P. D. LIPSCOMB and REV. J. W. CULLUM.

Gentlemen,—I take pleasure in officially advising you, that as you are doubtless aware, the Board of Managers of the Maryland State Colonization Society have unanimously passed a resolution, authorizing the renewed engagement of your services, as their Travelling Agents, for another year commencing on the first proxo. on the same terms as were originally made with you, understanding that you are both willing to continue to devote yourselves to the cause in which you have for the last two years been so zealously engaged, I have made application to the Baltimore and to the East Balt. Conferences, requesting them to sanction your entering into this arrangement with us.

Whilst the passage of the resolution above mentioned, is an ample testimonial of the satisfaction of the Board, of the zeal and diligence with which you have discharged the trusts reposed in you, they have been pained to find that ignorance, prejudice and misrepresentations of many kinds have so operated on the minds of the free colored people throughout the State, as to render them averse to avail themselves of the advantages which the beneficent scheme of African Colonization offers to them, as a means of benefitting the condition of themselves, and of their posterity. This is unfortunate, on their own account; and is also to be feared that should they continue to persist in their refusal to accept the privileges tendered to them, some of their white friends who have been so long laboring in their behalf, may become weary of well doing. I have no doubt that sooner or later, the eyes of the free blacks of Md. will be

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