The resolution offered by Dr. Goble, respecting an exploration of the New Jersey tract in Liberia, was then taken up, and after being amended, was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Pinney, G. W. S. Hall, Esq., of Baltimore, was invited to sit as a Corresponding member.

The Committee on Emigration made a report, which was approved:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EMIGRATION.

The Committee on Emigration, to whom was referred so much of the Annual Report as relates to the subject, respectfully report:

That they have had a free interchange of opinion in relation to the part of the Society's operations submitted for their consideration, and that they have agreed with entire unanimity in recommending a continuance of the policy hitherto pursued, of furnishing the requisite means to forward, and temporarily to support, such persons of African descent as may offer to emigrate to the land of their progenitors. They would, however, respectfully suggest to the Board the propriety of conducting the emigration of the present year, so far as they can properly influence it, as to strengthen the settlements already made in the Republic of Liberia. While they would not be disposed to discourage the proposed settlement of the New Jersey Society, they are yet much impressed with the importance of so fortifying the settlements at Robertsport, Bassa, Sinou and Cape Palmas, as to enable those settled at these points to protect themselves from outrage and injury, whether from native chiefs, who seek to gratify their cupidity by violating the laws of the Republic, or from trading parties on the coast, animated by similar motives. They would thus strengthen the hands of the Liberian authorities in the noble work of resisting such outrages as were attempted by the officers of the Regina Cœli, and thereby put an end to the slave trade in disguise as they had previously done when carried on under its proper name.

WM. V. PETTIT,
S. H. HUNTINGTON,
JAMES HALL, *Committee.*

The following resolution, offered by Hon. Mr. Schenck, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Agencies.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be authorized, and hereby instructed, to appoint and commission the Rev. E. G. Nicholson general travelling and collecting Agent for a district to be composed of the State of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Missouri, making such agreement with him as they may deem just and expedient as to his commissions, or other compensation, for his services; and the said Agent to have the authority to appoint or employ all his subordinate agents or assistants, within the district so assigned to him, and to be responsible for their collections, and for their right and faithful performance of the duties entrusted to them.

The letter of Charles Howard, Esq., President of the Maryland State Colonization Society, was then called up—Whereupon, it was

Resolved, That the Hon. J. H. B. Latrobe, President of the Society, be appointed a committee to meet the committee of the Maryland State Society, with authority to assure the latter of the desire of this Board to obtain their co-operation in its deliberations, and to invite them to appoint representatives to the next and future meetings of this Board, under the 5th article of the Constitution of the American Colonization Society:—With the understanding that this Board will recognize all credits to this Society on account of advances for the Ship Mary Caroline Stevens, for carrying emigrants, and all moneys expended by the Maryland Colonization Society for colonization purposes and for the use of so much of Liberia as was founded by the State of Maryland, as a basis of representation for that particular year.

The report of Dr. James Hall, as agent of the ship Mary Caroline Stevens, was called up, and on motion of Mr. Pinney, referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet to morrow morning at ten o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, January 20, 1859.

The Board met according to adjournment. The President of the Society in the chair. After prayer by the Rev. Dr. Danforth, the minutes of last night's proceedings were read and approved.

The Committee on Auxiliary Societies made a report, which, on motion, was accepted.

On motion of Dr. Goble, it was

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year,

Messrs. Goble, Huntington and Stoddard, were appointed the committee.

The Nominating Committee reported the following nominations—which are the same as last year:—Whereupon, the report was adopted, and the persons therein named duly elected, viz:

Corresponding Secretary, REV. R. R. GURLEY.
Financial Secretary, REV. W. MCLAIN.
Travelling Secretary, REV. JOHN ORCUTT.

Executive Committee—HARVEY LINDSLY, M. D., JOSEPH H. BRADLEY, Esq., WILLIAM GUNTON, Esq, W. W. SEATON, Esq., REV. GEORGE W. SAMSON, HON. WILLIAM MERRICK, HON. ISAAC BLACKFORD.

Mr. Gregory, from the Committee on Accounts, made the following report, respecting the voyages of the ship Mary Caroline Stevens: when, after some remarks from Dr. Hall, it was, on motion of Mr. Huntington,

Resolved, That the report be accepted.

REPORT—SHIP MARY CAROLINE STEVENS.

The Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the accounts of Dr. James Hall, Agent of the Company's Ship, the Mary Caroline Stevens, for the past year, report—

That the Agent has made, from time to time, detailed accounts, supported by vouchers, of the result of the several voyages, which accounts have had the examination of the Executive Committee and the Financial Secretary; it would therefore be a useless labor for the Committee to go over the same work again. A summary of two round voyages, marked C. and D., is herewith presented, with a satisfactory explanatory letter of Dr. Hall, which the Committee recommend to be entered upon, and be published with, the minutes. The Agent is satisfied with the arrangement made for his compensation, for the large amount of labor and responsibility involved in the charge of the ship; and as he furnishes from his own enterprize the means for meeting the compensation, the Society avoids a serious item which would otherwise arise in commissions for the performance of the service. The allowance to Dr. Hall is one thousand dollars per annum, to be paid in freight of flour furnished by himself. In case there is no room for one thousand barrels annually, the deficiency is a charge in money.—(For Exhibit, see page 350.)

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. S. GREGORY,
HENRY STODDARD,
SIDNEY A. SCHIEFFELIN, *Com.*

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