

Excerpt from the Minutes of the General Association of the Manumission Society held at Centre meeting house, in this county, on the 8th and 9th September.

The General Association of the Manumission Society of North Carolina, for promoting the gradual extinction of slavery, and removing the coloured population from the country, met at Centre Meeting House, in Guilford County, on Friday the 8th of September 1826, pursuant to previous appointment, of which public notice had been given. The President, Moses Swain, Esq. took the Chair, and called for the returns from the several Branch Societies, from which it appeared, that forty-one branches was represented, and letters received from four Female Auxillary Societies.

The President informed the Association that he had prepared a communication, which, on motion of Richard Mendenhall, was introduced, and read as follows.

(The communication was published in our last)

On motion of Richard Mendenhall, the above communication was referred to a select Committee: who were instructed to take the same under consideration, and report to a future period of the Session.

Received a very appropriate communication from each of the Female Benevolent Associations of Jamestown, Springfield, Kennet, and Center, together with an address from Mrs. Rachel Leonard, which were read & referred to a select committee, who were instructed to investigate their contents, and report when complied with.

On motion of Richard Mendenhall, a committee was appointed, who were instructed to prepare an essay of an address to the Legislature of Ohio and Indiana, (as mentioned in the above communication from the chair) informing them of the manner in which we regard their proffered kindness, and to report to a future period of the Session.

Saturday, Sept. 9.

John Gordon, Esq. President of the Board of Managers, introduced an essay of a memorial to the next General Assembly, which was read, and on motion was re-committed to the board of Managers, who were instructed to correct, and transmit the same to the ensuing session of the General Assembly.

An address from the Dover branch upon the subject of Slavery, was laid on the table, which was read, and on motion, was referred to the Board of Managers, with instruction to dispose of it as they may think proper.

In compliance with a report of the committee to whom was referred the communication from the chair, so much as relates to the appointment of a special agency, to open a correspondence with the Colonization Society, &c. was referred to the Board of Managers.

On motion of Dr. Worth, the Board of Managers were instructed to prepare a Prospectus of a Monthly Publication to be printed under the control of the Society, and devoted principally to the cause of Emancipation and Colonization; to print said Prospectus, and direct ten copies to each branch, also, other copies to such places as they may think proper: to use their own discretion in fixing the size of the paper, and the price to be paid by subscribers; and when a sufficient number of subscribers be obtained to indemnify the expense, to put said paper into immediate circulation, to employ an Editor and Printer, and to make such other contracts as the expedience of the cause may require.

The committee to whom was referred the addresses of the Female Associations report: that said addresses, or, at least a part of them, are, in their opinion worthy of publication: A special committee was therefore appointed, who were in-

structed to correct and prepare them for printing, and forward them to the press.

The President laid before the Association a letter from the Secretary of the acting committee of the American Convention, requesting the Association to send Delegates to the next meeting of the Convention, to be held in the City of Baltimore, on the 25th of October next; or, if this should be found inexpedient, to favour them with a written communication, setting forth our views, prospects of success, &c. After investigating the subject in committee of the whole it was deemed inexpedient, under existing circumstances, to send a Delegation: a committee was therefore appointed, who were instructed to write to the American Convention, giving them the information asked for in the letter from the Secretary of their acting committee.

The committee to whom was referred the subject of drafting an essay of an address to the Legislatures of Ohio and Indiana, reported 'no progress,' was dissolved, and the further consideration of the subject referred to the Board of Managers.

Resolved, that through the medium of the President, the thanks of this Association be presented to the Female Benevolent Societies of Jamestown, Springfield, Kennet and Center, and to Mrs. Rachel Leonard for their several excellent communications; and that the above mentioned societies be recognized as auxiliaries to this society.

Resolved, that we duly appreciate the sympathy and joint assistance of our sisters in the work of benevolence: that we regard it as auspicious to our cause, that we are more and more receiving the assistance and sympathy of that sex, whose characteristic excellence consists in commiserating distress, and in readily lending a hand of help to soothe the afflictions of the wretched; that we are encouraged to persevere and despair not of the hope, that (as in many other cases of the greatest emergency in which our sex has been involved) the turning of that scale which may decide the fate of thousands, may be a glorious task reserved for Female virtue.

The Committee to whom was referred the President's Message, recommended that five hundred copies of said message, together with extracts from the Minutes of this Association be printed for the use of the branches, and the information of others: a committee was therefore appointed consisting of William Adams, Esq. Dr. George Swain and Dr. John A. Mebane, to procure and superintend the printing; to reserve a portion of copies for foreign distribution: to distribute the balance among the branches in proportion to the number of members; and to draw on the treasurer of the Association for money to defray the expense.

Resolved, that the Secretary be instructed to inform the branches of this Association, that its contingencies require an augmentation of its funds; and that a small pecuniary aid from them would be thankfully received.

Resolved, that the thanks of this Association be presented to Moses Swain Esq. for his very interesting communication, together with the able and independent manner in which he has discharged the duties of the chair, during the present session.

Resolved, that the thanks of this Association be presented to the citizens of this vicinity, for their prompt and friendly attention to the members of this house, during the present session.

On motion, the House adjourned, to meet at Centre Meeting house, in Randolph county, on the second Friday in March next, at 11 o'clock A.M.

The General Association of the Manumission Society of North Carolina, for promoting the gradual extinction of Slavery, and removing the coloured population from the country, is composed, at this time, of delegates from forty-one different Branch Societies, embracing, according to the most accurate computation, about two thousand members.

The officers of the Association at this time are,

- Moses Swain, Esq. President
William Swain, jr. Secretary
Allen U. Tomlinson, Ast. Sec.
Nathan Mendenhall, Treasurer.
John Gordon, Esq.
Richard Mendenhall,
Jonathan Parker Esq.
William Unthank Esq.
Moses Swain Esq.
Joseph Aydelotte Esq.
Aaron Coffin.
John Howel Esq.
Gen. Alexander Gray,
Dr. George Swain.

Board of Managers.

The instructions of the British Government to its Commissioners of the Customs, to carry into effect the late Order in Council, interdicting our trade with its West India colonies, have been received at Halifax with much satisfaction under an idea that this exclusion will have a very beneficial effect upon the trade of the North American colonies of Great Britain. We should advise our neighbors of Nova Scotia against being too sanguine in their calculations. At the latest date, Mr. GALLATIN had already entered into conferences with the British Government on this subject, and we look with some confidence to the revocation of the order before the time arrives for its taking effect.

A letter from Caracas, dated August 28, published in the United States Gazette of the 30th, contains the following paragraph. We take it for granted that the U. S. Gazette is satisfied of the truth of its contents, from having published it. It is, in more views than one, a sad affair.

I must inform you that the U. S. Charge d' Affaires at Bogota has been assassinated. I am not acquainted with particulars; but the brief is, that he was in intrigue with a lady of that place, for which her brother demanded satisfaction, but was refused; he accordingly took the opportunity one day (after Mr. WATTS had been to dinner, and laid down to rest on his sofa,) stepped in and accomplished his end."

Baltimore, Oct. 1.

The James Coulter, arrived at Philadelphia yesterday brought us various files of Caracas papers to the 1st of September, and private advices to the 3d inclusive. We have not room to make any commentary, but shall mere remark that the revolt of General PEAZ is now drawing to a speedy conclusion, by the disaffection among his followers, the best of whom have deserted his cause and marched to join that friend of order and the Constitution, the brave BERMUDEZ. The Liberator, General BOLIVAR, was momentarily expected, as his sister, residing in Caracas, received a letter from him, requesting the necessary domestic arrangements to be made for his reception in all this month.

Caracas, 3d Sept. 1826.

Momentous political changes have occurred since I last wrote, and their termination remains veiled in obscurity; the time however, is rapidly approaching when the result will be fully developed. PEAZ, but a short time since, was received with universal enthusiasm—his favorite troops, los bravos de Apure, last week left Caracas to join BERMUDEZ, (who, you know is now Commander in Chief. Various other emergencies, which leisure will not now permit me to enumerate, all lead to the conclusion that a crisis is approaching, which will restore tranquility and public confidence, or create incalculable calmity and distress. We, however, hope for the best.

The sister of the Libertador, General BOLIVAR, has received a letter from him, requesting preparations

(domestic) for his reception in all this month, and there is no doubt that he will be here.—Balt. az.

A friend has communicated to us the following passage of a letter, dated 15th August, from an intelligent American gentleman at Paris:

You can give the editor of the National Gazette, for political news, the fact that Talleyrand left this Capital two days since, for London, on a special and important mission, supposed to relate to the new constitution of Portugal. You will soon hear of trouble in Spain—the "legitimates" are all alarmed at the recent proceedings of Don Pedro and his Constitution.—N. t. Gaz.

Washington, September 28.

It is with feelings of sincere regret that we announce the death of Captain ROBERT TRAILL SPENCE, of the United States Navy. This distinguished Officer, who has contributed so much to the high character which our Navy has obtained, died at his seat near Baltimore on Tuesday morning, at 6 o'clock. It is said that Captain SPENCE had recently been appointed to the command of our squadron in the West Indies.

At the approaching election in the State of Maryland, the People have to pass upon a subject which is of vital importance to the future character, prosperity, and consequent influence of the State, and which, it is therefore hoped, will receive their dispassionate consideration. A law of the Legislature has been submitted for their sanction, which proposes to divide each county in the State into convenient School Districts, to have houses built for the schools by a tax on the respective districts, and to draw from the State Treasury the existing fund for education of the poor and, further, the same proportion of such funds as may from year to year be added to this fund.

This law, though in some of its details imperfect, is, we repeat, of incalculable importance to the State; and, as the day of election is near at hand, when the People have, individually, to give their suffrage for or against this law, it is hoped that no man who values the liberty he enjoys, and who knows how indispensable the cultivation of the mind is to the preservation of that liberty, as well as to social happiness, and domestic comfort, will be idle on the day of election. For once, let the influence of personal character and education be exerted to overpower the suggestions of ignorance, and the counsels of avarice. The system is one approved by the wisest Statesmen, and in full operation with the most beneficial effects, in the Eastern States. It is happy in theory, and has been eminently successful in practice. For further views of the subject, and for the opinions of our greatest, wisest, and best men, in reference to the particular law now under discussion in the State of Maryland we refer the reader to an article on the preceding page, which we have taken from a Maryland paper, which has just reached our hands and which will supersede any further observations from us.—Nat. Intel

Sale of a wife and two Children.—

Not ten thousand miles from the village of Oswego, N. Y. on the 18th inst. by virtue of a special contract between the parties, one man sold, bargained, and conveyed to another, for and in consideration of the sum of twenty five dollars, good and lawful money of the State of New York, his wife and two children; and we are informed that the guarantee has taken actual possession of the property!!

The Worcester Spy contains a list of twenty four marriages in the town of Brimfield Mass. celebrated within the last 12 months. One of the grooms (I mean married) is described as a senior member of the Old Bateleur's Society. Good.