

Maj. Easley objected to naming Atlanta's depot particularly. Dr. Gaines spoke warmly of the treatment received by colored people on the railroads. He had no particular desire to ride with white people but when he paid first-class fare he claimed the right to ride where other first-class passengers rode. If the colored men of Georgia would carry out the recommendations of this committee we would soon have proper accommodations on all railroads. The report was adopted with some amendments.

The following committee was appointed in accordance with the above resolution:

Rev. W. J. White.....Augusta, Ga.	Rev. J. B. S. Williams.LaGrange, Ga.
Bishop H. M. Turner....Atlanta, "	Rev. E. K. Love.....Savannah, "
Rev. J. C. Bryan.....Americus, "	B. T. Harvey, Esq....Columbus, "
Rev. W. J. Gaines, D. D..Atlanta, "	Rev. Ishmael Lonon...Albany, "
Col. W. A. Pledger.....Athens, "	Hon. L. Crawford.....Darien, "
Capt. J. W. Lyons.....Augusta, "	Col. J. H. Deveaux...Savannah, "
Hon. A. Wilson...Baily's Mills, "	Capt. A. F. Hawkins....Athens, "
Capt. C. C. Wimbish,...Atlanta, "	R. M. Logan, Esq....Macon, "
Maj. S. W. Easley, " "	J. T. White, Esq.....Macon, "
Rev. S. C. Upshaw, " "	Jno. Heard, Esq....Greensboro, "
Rev. W. H. Tilman, " "	Rev. L. Williams...Washington, "
Rev. E. R. Carter, " "	

A statement was made in behalf of Col. J. H. Deveaux, of Savannah, expressing his sorrow at not being able to attend the meeting.

Maj. S. W. Easley submitted report of Committee on State Agricultural Society as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Mr. President :—We, your Committee on State Agricultural Society, respectfully and unanimately submit the following report:

We recommend the immediate organization of an Agricultural Association among the colored people of the state, for the purpose of giving, annually, state fairs, exhibiting the mechanical genius, agricultural productions, industrial pursuits, and professional advancement of the colored people of the state. The organization shall consist of a president, a general secretary, a treasurer, and ten vice-presidents, one from each congressional district in the state, who, with the president, shall constitute an executive board, to conduct and manage the affairs of the Association. Each vice-president shall organize his respective districts into county clubs, with a president, a secretary, a treasurer, and as many vice-presidents as they may desire. The Executive Board shall arrange the plans of organization, draw up a constitution and by-laws for their government, and submit the same for approval to the members of the Association. The Executive Board shall issue monthly, an agricultural journal, for the benefit of the members of the Association. This Board shall also arrange the prizes and premiums for exhibits. It shall also fix the salaries of all officers, and other expenses of the Association. Any person may become a member of this Association upon the payment of one dollar in the general funds of the Association, for which they shall receive a certificate of membership, signed by the general president and general secretary. The Board shall, if possible, arrange for a general state fair this year, in whatever city they may select. In submitting this report, your committee wishes to remind this worthy gathering of the grand, glorious and fruitful results that accrue from the establishing of a State Agricultural Association, to the colored people of our beloved state, and that too much attention cannot be paid to the agricultural interests of a well regulated government. For upon the industrious farmer, the skilled mechanic, the faithful and honest laborer, and a jealous pride for the production of this useful and indispensable class of citizens, the glory and the stability of all government depends. It is in this particular field that the Negro is to rise in the scales of wealth and recognition among other great nations of the world. Let us bend our energies to the developing of its resources, that will add to the fame and glory of our race, and make our old state one of the brightest stars that adorn the galaxy of the illustrious sisterhood of States, which is controlling the world in advanced civilization. We recommend that the Executive Board shall at once open a subscription book for stock, and when a sufficient