

cial trade of the City of Baltimore; as a father, he loved his home and was devoted to his wife and family; as a fraternal man, he rose to the highest positions within the gift of the greatest Order of modern times; as a Republican in politics, he was called upon by his party to give to the State of Maryland the value of his training and experience as State Treasurer. The Governor of the State of Maryland, a Democrat, appointed him a member of the most important Board authorized by the State laws for the government, organization and training of the Police Force of Baltimore City. In all of these positions he served his State with an energy and zeal worthy of emulation by any man, but it was in the later years of his life that he consented to take up a work as high and holy as that of any Missionary in Church history. The State of Maryland possesses a large colored population, the City of Baltimore alone having one-fifth of its entire number resident within its limits, a singularly carefree and happy, and often improvident in habits, race. Poverty and disease have exacted from them a heavy toll. The white people of the State cheerfully joined with the prosperous and industrious members of the colored race in extending to them the benefits of a liberal public school education, but there still was work for some big man or set of men to do, and that was to care for the delinquent and dependent juvenile portion of that population. The Judges and Police Magistrates in Baltimore City, and the Judges and Committing Magistrates in the Counties, were often confronted with the serious problem of sending that class of young people to prisons, where they came in contact with unrepentant and unreformed members of society who were confined in them by edict of law. There was no home or reformatory open to them, such as were possessed by the white race. The State of Maryland, mindful of its duty and anxious to assume and discharge its responsibility, established a home for them in Southern Maryland; but, homes and farms and fields and money do not make a success without the inspiration, the enthusiasm and the energy of a true man. When General Shryock was called upon by the State of Maryland to head this Institution, he found a work so congenial that it brought into action latent powers unknown even to his best friends and even himself. Great as was his success in the business world, popular as he was as a fraternal officer, successful as a State Treasurer and Police Commissioner, it yet remained for him to achieve his crown of fidelity in the faithful