

in successful operation to which the taxes collected from colored persons can be paid over for the benefit of their own children.

I am informed that the amount of School tax paid annually by these people to educate white children in the City of Baltimore for many years has been more than five hundred dollars.

The rule of fair play would require that this be refunded, unless the State at once provides Schools under this Title.

As evidence of what private liberality is now doing for the honor of the State, I take the following from a late report of the Association for Improvement of Colored People.

ROOMS Nos. 3 AND 4 BIBLE HOUSE,
BALTIMORE, *February 6th*, 1865.

*To the Board of Managers
of Association for M. and I. Improvement
of Colored People:*

GENTLEMEN,—I am directed by the Executive Committee of the Association to report the work done by them since your last meeting.

They have secured rooms and given directions to fit them up for School use in four places in the City, and have made arrangements for Teachers to enter upon their duties as soon as the rooms are ready for occupancy.

They have numbered the Schools 1, 2, 3, 4,—situated as follows:

No. 1 is in Crane's Building, corner of Calvert and Saratoga Street.

No. 2 is in Chesnut Street.

No. 3 is in Sharp Street.

No. 4 is in Biddle Alley.

Thus *partially* providing for all parts of the City, though not affording accommodation for a tithe of the Colored People who desire to avail themselves of this opportunity to procure some Education.