

gent, and referred to in former reports, and in resolution number 45, passed at December session 1824, has not been disposed of; the heirs generally, or most of the heirs, have relinquished all claims to the property in question, on the terms proposed in the resolution; but even when this is done by all, doubts still remain as to the state's title, and a compromise on the subject in some way would be advisable.

The resolution number four, passed at December session eighteen hundred and twenty-five, relative to licenses required to be taken out by the keepers of billiard tables, has not been complied with by those who reside in Baltimore city, and the parties contend that they are paying a heavy license to the city of Baltimore, and ought not also to pay to the state. This is a matter for legislative interference, as the state ought not to have any revenue laws which are not rigidly enforced.

By a resolution, number eight, passed at December session eighteen hundred and thirteen, the trustee of the state was directed to transfer to the president and directors of the Potomac Company, thirty thousand dollars of the six per cent. stock of the United States, upon their pledging the funds of the said company, and giving the bond of the said corporate body for the reimbursement of the principal in stock, of the like nature with that loaned by instalments of three, four, and five years, with interest from the date of the transfer, upon the whole amount of principal remaining unpaid, such interest to be paid annually, and in money of the United States.

No part of the principal of this debt has ever been paid, and only four years of interest. By a resolution number twenty-nine, passed at December session eighteen hundred and eighteen, indulgence was extended until eighteen hundred and twenty-one, provided the interest due was paid in July eighteen hundred and nineteen. This condition was not complied with, and in the year eighteen hundred and twenty two, the agent ordered suit to be commenced; and at December session eighteen hundred and twenty-two, a resolution, number forty-three, again gave further indulgence; that time expired, and the agent ordered a suit, and judgment has been obtained; the total amount of principal and interest is now upwards of forty-six thousand dollars. But as the stockholders of the Potomac Company have accepted the terms proposed to them in the charter of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, a stay of further proceedings, until the next meeting of the legislature, is respectfully recommended. There are other debt-