Office of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company. January 27th, 1831.

GENTLEMEN, -In compliance with your request under date of the 19th instant, and in obedience to an order of the House of Delegates, passed on the 11th requiring "the committee on Internal Improvements, to enquire into, and report the relative expense, benefits and facilities of constructing Rail Roads and Canals, with a view of ascertaining to which of those means the funds of the State can be most beneficially applied." I now enclose a communication illustrative of these several subjects, from the Chief Engineer of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company.

And am, very respectfully, &c. P. E. THOMAS, President,

Balt, and Ohio Rail Road Com'y. To the Committee Oh Internal Improvements,

House of Delegates,

Amapolis,