

of boats instead of bridges, your committee advise the house to decline this grant now.

If the object of the company in seeking a confirmation of the Virginia act of February 13th, 1830, be, as that act declares it shall be, to commence the western section now, your committee would recommend that confirmation, if they were not informed by the last report of the company, that the operations essential to the eastern section cannot be completed in consequence of a controversy between that company and that of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, the adjustment of which, seems to be utterly uncertain; for the opinion of your committee upon the consequent delay and loss of interest to the state resulting from this litigation, we refer you to the general report we had the honour to submit to the house on the instant; and as the company would appear to have on hand enough to occupy their attention this year, your committee recommend that no legislation be had this session upon that question, and that this report be adopted as the expression of the house of delegates upon all the prayers submitted to your committee.

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the charter granted to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, was not intended to interfere with private property, except for the purpose of perfecting the navigation. That by conferring upon that company, the right to sell or dispose of the surplus water of their canal, where wastes or sluices were absolutely essential to the security of their canal, it was only intended to give to the said company the availment of such waste or surplus water, as unavoidably gained admission; and that so far as the present company are let into the rights and possessions of the Potomac Company, they are bound to take those rights, subject to the obligations and restrictions imposed upon that company.

Which resolution was read the first, and by special order the second time, and assented to.

Mr. Mitchell reported a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the Presbyterian Church in Salisbury, in Worcester county.

Which was read the first, and by special order the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

The bill, entitled, An act further supplemental to the act of December session 1827, chapter 111, entitled, An act to regulate sales by public auction. And

The bill, entitled, An act for the relief of John Childs, of