

deviation might be considered advantageous to the company, and believing the above change would be beneficial, passed the following resolution:

“DECEMBER 2d, 1818.

*Whereas*, certain persons in Harford county have proposed taking stock in this Road, provided the location thereof be changed so as to make it enter the Town of Belle-Air, at John McKinney's Tavern, instead of the Court House Square, as laid down by the commissioners, and believing it will be for the benefit of the stockholders to comply with said proposals; Therefore,

*Resolved*, That the direction of the road be changed from near a wild cherry tree in Boad's land, so as to enter the Town of Belle-Air at John McKinney's Tavern, and that the subscription of sundry persons residing in and near Belle-Air, be appropriated to the opening and forming of a road from Stave Ford on the Little Falls of Gunpowder, to Belle Air, and thence in a direction towards the Rock Run Bridge.”

The Legislature however at their session of 1818, chapter 117, passed a supplement to the act compelling the managers to continue the road to the Court House square in Belle-Air, whereby the aforesaid subscriptions became null and void.

The President and Managers have given up the bed as located, of the intended Turnpike to Harford county, agreeably to the following letter and resolution, but whether it is now worked by county assessment I know not.

*“To the President and Directors of the Baltimore and Harford Turnpike Company,*

GENTLEMEN.—Applications have been made to the Court of Harford county, for opening a road, ‘commencing at the present Baltimore road, near Maulsby's blacksmith shop, and running thence to the Little Falls of Gunpowder, near the Stave Ford, to intersect a new road already made,’ also ‘to straighten and shut up the public road leading from the Lower Cross Roads to Rock Run Bridge, and to shut up a part thereof.’ The Legislature at its last session has by law empowered the court to act in these cases—and as the aforesaid roads have been laid upon the bed of the Baltimore and Harford Turnpike route, your assent will be necessary to enable the court to cause the roads to be opened—you will perceive that the assent of the company is required by the law, first, to the opening of the above roads, and secondly, your engagement to pay Harford county the ex-